WEATHER.
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SECOND YEAR—NO. 433. BENTON HARBOR, MICH., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1897. ONE CENT.

HE'D CURED THE WOES

of suffering sick.
And then, he undertook the law to lick

TWO PROFESSIONAL MEN MIX.

Dr. B. and Lawyer S.,
They debated;
In the talk the lawyer said:
"You little runt belated."
"Maybe I'm small but I ain't no runt
And my head's not dilated.
Next time we meet you'll apologize
Or find yourself mincemeated."
They met,
And "fit."

Dr. W. C. Bastar and City Attorney Charles N. Sears held a public debate on Pipestone street last night in front of the drug store of J. A. Sheffield & Son.

The debate was on the question, "Resolved, that the science of medicine has done more in establishing peace among men than the law; in short, that medicine is more powerful than law."

No previous announcement of the literary feast had been made and there were but one or two witnesses at the beginning of the able and forceful discussion but in about two minutes the crowd numbered two hundred of the progressive citizens who never lose an opportunity to see good things. (The oldest inhabitant afterward remarked no dog fight ever was so successful in gathering together an appreciative audience in a hurry.)

Dr. Bastar, it appears, was riding up the street in his buggy, the attorney was moving along the sidewalk in the opposite direction. Their eyes met. The doctor's horse balked and wouldn't move a peg farther. The attorney's feet seemed riveted to the walk and of course he was compelled to stop. The doctor climbed out his rig and pulled off his big fur coat, for somehow he had become uncomfortably warm.

The eloquence then began. Dr. Bastar discussed the affirmative of the question with the power of a Y. M. C. A. senator and Lawyer Sears when it came his turn talked all around the doctor. Either one thought the other was getting the better of it and they began making gestures. The gestures were somewhat violent and as the men were standing too close together their faces and gestures came together. Finally one of the gestures took the lawyer right below the right eye and he was plunged head first through Mr. Sheffield's store window. After the copious streams of blood were washed off his face the lawyer was able to walk home. He remarked that it was not over yet.

It appears that at the republican county convention last week Mr. Sears called Dr. Bastar a "little runt," and the doctor at that time said the lawyer would be soon given a chance to apologize. The debate last night was the sequel.

Some of the witnesses believe that under ordinary circumstances Mr. Sears could convince Dr. Bastar that he (Bastar) is wrong.

To particularize, at the republican county convention at St. Joseph last week the trouble started. W. L. George and Dr. Bastar, the chief promotors of Miss Farmer's candidacy for school commissioner, were reported as saying that Mr. Sears had broken faith. And it was specified by the convention gossips that Mr. Sears had promised to support Miss Farmer and when he law the tide of sentiment at the convention he climbed over into Mr. Clarke's bandwagon in a hurry.

Now that was a mean thing to say about Mr. Sears and outside of bible teachings the attorney was justified in hushing the doctor with the advice:

"Shut up you little runt."

Mr. Sears was justified. And so was Dr. Bastar when he merely asked an opportunity to introduce a little indisputable evidence to prove to the attorney that he wasn't a "little runt."

Attorney Sears was found at his office as usual this morning. When asked about the affair the lawyer said, "Tell the truth. It will vindicate me. The assault was unprovoked and all I did was merely in self defense."

Dr. Bastar was out when THE NEWS called for his version.

Mr. Sheffield naturally wants pay for his show window, and he should get it.

A MUSICAL FEAST.

Such Will Be the Concert at the Congregational Church.

One of the choicest musical events of the season having been in preparation by the Congregational chorus choir and their friends will be given Wednesday evening. No pains have been spared to make this an entertainment to please lovers of good music. A chorus of 30 voices has been drilling on the selection. "Happy and Blest are They" from the oratorio "St. Paul" by Mendelssohn which will be accompanied by an orchestra and piano: the chorus will also render that magnificent chorus "Oh! Italia, Italia Beloved" from "Lucregia" by Dowzetti: a ladies chorus of 20 voices comprising some of the best local talent in the city will render "The Spinning Chorus" from "The Flying Dutchman" by Wagner, also "The Peasant's Wedding March" by Soderman both of which cannot fail to please.

Miss Roe will again delight us with a piano solo. Miss Roe is comparatively a new addition to the musical talent of the city but they who have heard her have been charmed with her skill and expression.

A brass quartet will also render a selection. Other parts of the program will be solos by Mesdames Wentworth, Hurlburt, Cady, also a male chorus.

Misses Radcliff and Zebelle, our favorite elocutionists, will favor us with some choice selections.

The price of admission is wholly inadequate to the program but inasmuch as the object is not for "revenue only" but to entertain their friends the low price of 15 cents or two admissions for 25 cents will defray the expenses and perhaps leave a small surplus to purchase music for the choir. Children will be admitted for 10 cents.

Doors open at 7:30 p. m. Concert to commence at 8 p. m.

PART I.

Organ solo.....Prof. Nelson
"Happy and Blest Are They" from St. Paul.....Mendelssohn
Chorus.
Solo Selection.....
Sarah Carey accompanied by Freddie Haynes
Solo Mignon.....D'Hardelot
Mrs. Don Wentworth.
Recitation.....Selection
Miss Sophia Zebell.
Male Quartette.
"Whirl and Twirl," from the Flying Dutchman.....Wagner
Ladies' Chorus.
Brass quartette.

PART II.

Piano solo, "Rigoletto,".....Liszt
Miss Grace Roe.
"The Peasant's Wedding March,"....Soderman
Ladies' Chorus.
Reading.....Selection
Mr. Frank Welton.
Solo, "Thou Art So Like a Flower" Rubenstein
Mrs. Grace Cady.
Male Chorus.
Solo, "Marguerite,".....Biscoff
Mrs. Howard Hurlbut.
Recitation.....Selection
Miss Flora Radcliff.
Ladies' Quartette.....
...Mesdames Wentworth, Cadt, Rapp, Cole
"Oh! Italia, Italia Beloved" from "Lucretia"
.....Donezetti

AN INSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM.

It Was Rendered by the Bay View Reading Circle Last Evening.

The Bay View Reading circle met with C. Ayres on Columbus avenue, Monday evening. The circle studied the lives and literary productions of the Alcotts, Curtis Hawthorne and associates. A part of the program was readings and reviews of which the following are a part:

Hawthorne's "Rill From the Town Pump.....Lena Harger
Burrough's "Criticism of Thoreau,".....Claude Ayres.
A Criticism of Margaret Fuller Ossoli.....Pearl Finch.
A selection from Curtis' "Easy Chair,"....H. S. Alley.
A review of Hawthorne's "Twice Told Tales.....Mrs. Finch.

The circle was served with light refreshments at the close of the study hour. They will meet with Miss Barker on Bellview street next Monday night when a Longfellow program will be given.

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ACTIVE WORK.

The Alger Guards Will Soon Commence Their Drill.

There was a large attendance at the second meeting of the Alger Guards which was held in the city hall last night. Shortly after 8 o'clock Captain Graves called the meeting to order and C. K. Farmer was chosen secretary.

The first in the order of business was the report of the committees. J. Harry Pound, of the membership committee presented 15 new names and upon a ballot they were admitted into the company. Dr. Charles N. Sowers, chairman of the committee on constitution and by-laws submitted the same and they were adopted by a full vote of the company. The by-laws provides for a board of directors composed of six members of the the company and it was thought best to elect this important board last night, which was done with the following result: H. B. Volheim, C. K. Farmer, H. U. Rapp, W. C. Cantrell, S. M. White and J. Harry Pound.

Captain Graves made a short speech in which he stated what would be expected of the company and the hard work each member would have to encounter to attain the degree of perfection which would be expected. He also said that a hall would be secured at once and active work begun.

A SERIOUS FALL.

A Little Girl Fell Through an Open Trap Door This Morning.

About 8:30 this morning as Velma, the eleven year old daughter of Sanford Yendes, residing at 116 Washington street, was on her way to school, she met with an accident, just how serious has not been determined.

The little girl was running along the sidewalk and never noticed a trap door in the walk which was thrown back while a workman was in the cellar removing barrels and boxes. She saw the opening too late and fell headlong to the bottom of the steps where she was picked up in an unconscious condition and removed to her home.

The little one in striking was hit in the stomach by a projecting beam and this afternoon she is in apparent pain from this cause.

It is fortunate that the child escaped with anything less than a broken neck and the wonderment of everyone who saw the accident is that she is alive to tell how it happened. She is the daughter of Sanford Yendes, an engineer on the St. Joseph Valley railraod.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

The Jury Has the Case of Potter vs Burkhart.

When court opened this morning the case of Potter vs Burkhart which was adjourned from last Friday was taken up. The suit was brought by Calvin B. Potter, attorney at St. Joseph, against Joseph H. Burkhart to recover fees for professional services. Defendant alleges that plaintiff entered into a contract for a specified sum for his services that after the case had been decided by the supreme court he gave him $30 over the sum agreed on and that he was not entitled to more. The case has excited considerable interest, several witnesses being called by the defense to impeach the testimony of the plaintiff.

The court charges the jury at considerable length explaining to them the testimony in the case and how they should consider the evidence of the witnesses put on the stand to impeach the veracity of the plaintiff. Witnesses may be honest in their statement but biased if plaintiff had at any time litigation with them.

In the case of John N. Chaddock against Roscoe Tabor, a minor, to recover damages for the loss of one eye and which was partly tried last week, Mr. Gore, for plaintiff, addressed the jury in an able argument in which he pointed out to them that defendant was guilty of negligence: that due caution was not exercised by him in firing the air gun and that the plea of infancy was not sustainable.

POLICEMEN'S BALL.

The St. Joseph Police Force Entertain a Large Crowd.

The police force of St. Joseph are to be congratulated upon the grand social and financial success of their annual ball which was held in Martin's Academy of Music last night.

The ball was attended by all of 175 couples not alone from the twin cities but from surrounding towns and cities.

Promptly at 9 o'clock Schear's full orchestra struck up the Grand March and then followed a splendid drill by the officers, led by Officer Servis and commanded by Chief Stuckey. Mayor John V. Starr then addressed the force and assured them that the city felt proud and safe under their protection.

The boys are highly elated over the success of their party and are already preparing plans to make next year's ball a greater success than the one last night if that is possible.

Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in this office for the week ending February 22, 1897:

Armstrong, H. C.	Redding, Miss Ethel
Guber, Mr. Frank	Reynolds, Mr. Frank
Herzog, Mrs. Karolina	(foreign) Royer, Mr. J. H.
Kaebel, Mr. John	Schultz, Mr. Philip
Loveland, Mr. Cyrus	Smith, L. R.
Tomson, Mrs. Mattie	

When calling for these letters please say "advertised."

EDGAR NICHOLS, P. M.

HAVOC AT CINCINNATI

Ohio River Rising at the Rate of Four Inches Per Hour and Cities are Threatened.

HIGH WATER AT PITTSBURG

Consul General Lee Denies the Report That He Has Resigned His Position.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 23.—At 9 o'clock this morning the Ohio river had reached 51 feet, four inches, and was rising at the rate of four inches per hour. If this continues water will be running into the Grand Central depot by 3 o'clock this afternoon.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 24.—The flood here threatens to exceed that of 1891. All lowlands are under water and the water is still rising.

CHARLESTON, Va., Feb. 24.—The river here is forty feet and is rising. The lowest parts of the city have been under water since last night.

General Lee Has Not Resigned.

HAVANA, Feb. 24.—Consul General Lee denies the report that he has resigned.

LONG RENOMINATED.

Fred Woodruff Honored at Detroit Today.

DETROIT, Feb., 23—Republican state convention this afternoon nominated Charles D. Long to succeed himself as justice of the supreme court.

Cooker was nominated for regent by acclamation. There are three candidates for the other position of regent.

Fred E. Woodruff of Berrien is one of the tellers of the convention.

THE WRONG BOTTLE.

C. A. White Took a Dose of Iodine for Grip Medicine.

Charles A. White, residing at 115 Courtland street nearly made a fatal mistake this morning. He has been afflicted the past few days with an attack of the grip and had gone to a physician and procured a small bottle of medicine for the disease.

Early this morning he went to the shelf and took down a bottle supposed to be grip medicine and pouring out a teaspoon full hastily swallowed it. No sooner had he done so when he discovered that he had taken a dose from the wrong bottle and instead of grip medicine he had taken a deadly dose of iodine. He was soon in great agony and his wife summoned Dr. Bostick in all possible haste. It was only after considerable hard work that Mr. White was returned to consciousness. He is all right now but declares that it was the closest call he ever had.

The Union Prayer Meeting.

The Union prayer meeting at the Presbytorian church, led by Rev. W. P. French last evening, was extremely enthusiastic. Rev. French said the work of the Union prayer meetings was all important for they were on the eve of a great battle against the enemies of the church. The forces arrayed against them were powerful but they, as Christians, looked to God and claimed the promise He made that He would be with His children to the end of time.

Rev. Hoffman said in weakness there was strength and the way to climb up was to get down low before God. God asked us to do only what we can but to do that earnestly. It was necessary to consecrate ourselves to God and leave the issue with Him.

There was a testimony meeting and then the service closed.

A Challenge.

As Dr. W. C. Bastar claims to be the champion of southwestern Michigan since February 22, 1897, I do hereby challenge him to a fight to a finish to take place within one week from this date at catch weights.

Dated Feb., 23, 1897.

CURT R. FONGER.

Account of Farmers Institute at Niles, Mich

The Big Four will sell excursion tickets at one and one-third fare for round trip. Tickets on sale February 26 and 27. Good returning March 1.

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FAIR PLAIN LYCEUM.

A Larger Hall May Be Built by Enterprising Citizens.

The progressive people of Fair Plain appear to understand the art of providing home attractions for their young folks. For several years past their lyceum has, during the fall and winter months, furnished amusement and instruction, which, judging from the crowds which attend, are fully appreciated and enjoyed. The inability to harmonize a big crowd of people with a medium sized school room has led the Fair Plainites to the serious consideration of the project of building a large and convenient hall commensurate with the needs of the neighborhood. The programs given at these lyceums are, many of them, most excellent, and are participated in not only by members of the lyceum but also by their literary and musical friends from a distance, who are attracted thither by a desire for rational amusement which their own home neighborhood fail to provide. The following program was presented last Saturday evening: Washington flag exercise by ten little girls; music, Fair Plain band; recitation, "Samuel Short's Success," Miss Nellie Knisely; reading, "That Paring Bee," George Vogel; music, string band; farce, Arthur Aylsworth and Bert Young; song, Daisy Macumber; several songs by Liberty Bell quartet; recitation, Will Blake; duet, Misses Schneider and Bertram; recitation, Mabel Macumber; reading, Miss Flora Gordan; duet, Misses Smith and Schneider; duet, Misses Holmes and Busby.

The efficiency of the new marshal and usher, W. T. Robb, was manifest in the good order and comfort of the crowded audience last Saturday evening.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

Glanders are spreading among the horses in Flint, notwithstanding the quarantine placed over those afflicted several days ago. Another batch was killed Saturday and several more are under quarantine with little hope of recovery.

Cornelius Redner, Carey Hasbrook and a quantity of whiskey started from Jackson Friday evening to drive to Clark's Lake. Saturday morning Redner was found dead in the bottom of the sleigh-box and Hasbrook was helplessly drunk.

James Monroe of Byron, Shiawassee county, who was recently released after serving a short term at Ionia, was arrested Saturday for stealing an overcoat. A few years ago he was a prosperous furniture dealer at Byron, but "got to drinking."

Real Estate Transfers.

Margaret Burns and Mary E. Geyer to Henry McNally and John McNally, in consideration of $1,500, land in Bertrand township.

Frederick S. White to Emma White, city of Niles, for the sum one dollar and love and affection, lots 53, 54, and 55 in O. P. Lacey's addition, to West Niles, being the same premises now occupied by the parties for a residence.

Henry McNally, John McNally and William McNally of Bertrand township, heirs at law of Johana McNally, deceased, to Fred Seyfred, Galien township in consideration of $600, parcel of land in township of Bertrand.

Roscoe Dix auditor general of state to Lucinda Smith of Niles, who became purchaser of the rights of the state for the assessed taxes therin in 1881, in south half of lots 4 and 5, E. W. Hoffman's subdivision of lots 60 and 61. Amount of purchase $9.45.

Neglect of the hair often destroys its vitality and natural hue, and causes it to fall out. Before it is too late, apply Hall's Hair Renewer, a sure remedy.

Wanted to exchange House and lot and two vacant lots in the village of Gaylord, Otsego county, Mich.; also 40 acres adjoining the village of Gaylord. Will exchange for house and lot or small farm near Benton Harbor. The above is free from all incumbrance. For particulars address Hattie Caldwell, Gaylord, Mich., or James McDonald, Benton Harbor. 432t

Important Tax Notice.

The tax rolls will be turned over to the county treasurer on March 1 and further costs added at that time. All persons who have not paid their taxes should do so at once and save additional expense.

H. R. HUNTINGTON, Collector.

Don't fail to attend the concert and dance next Tuesday evening. Admission only 10 cents.

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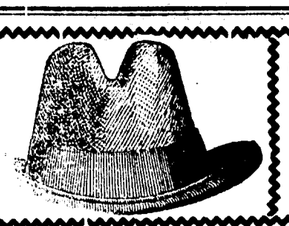

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Crushed Java coffee, 13c lb.
"Gold Lace" flour, $4.19 a barrel.
10 lbs rolled oats, 25c.
"Wonder" spring wheat flour, best on earth, $1.50.

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HERESY AND METHODISTS.

Up to the present time the Presbyterian church has had a monopoly of the modern trials for heresy among her most brilliant men. It now looks as though the Methodist denomination might soon dispute this field with the Presbyterians.

A week ago the meeting of Methodist ministers in New York city was stirred by the remark of one of the leading preachers of that city that he did not believe that the English translation of the bible could be relied upon in detail as being God's inspired word.

At the Monday meeting of the Methodist preachers of Chicago this week, Dr. Frank Crane made several statements which startled his brethren. He expressed the belief that this earth was the breeding ground to populate the stars. Then he went on.

"What is the church for, to make men believe?"

"That is the spirit's business," he answered.

"Is it to save men?"

"That is Christ's business."

"It is to preach to men, to reach them and throw around them the right influences and organize them into doing good work."

Dr. Crane advised that the church doors be opened to every one without requiring any religious, moral or intellectual test for admission to membership.

If these ideas continue to increase in the church there will either be a revision of doctrines or the Methodists will have on their hands trials similar to that of Dr. Briggs.

THE NEWS has been asked to censure bitterly Dr. Bastar for his connection with last night's disgrace. That gentleman has without reason or sense in public and private, and as a member of the school board, tried to injure this paper from the day it started. He was never spoken of unkindly or criticised in our columns, but he was the first to ask the favor through a mutual friend that he be "let down" easy in the account of last night's fight. THE EVENING NEWS never criticises anyone from personal reasons, but every rebuke ever printed in these columns was published in the supposed interest of the public good. By the prosperity and growth THE NEWS has enjoyed Dr. Bastar may catch a vision of the extent of his influence.

STATISTICS show that in cities of 10,000 or less riots do not occur oftener than once in ten years. This may knock the Alger guards out of all chance to get in the state troops. The other aspirant companies will figure that it will be nine years and 364 days before there is any need for a company of militia in this community again.

THE Burlington railroad company has refused to give reduced rates to the Nevada prize fight on the ground that the fight is immoral. This action proves two things: That the Burlington corporation has a soul; that its soul has been converted.

I KNEW what I was doing when I subscribed $100 toward the city hospital.—W. C. B.

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PLEA AGAINST WAR ARBITRAMENT

Made for the Chicago Union League Club Before a Packed Audience in the Auditorium—Reply to the Objectors to the Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty and Some Comments on "National Honor," and Where Lies the Danger Thereto.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—The annual celebration of the anniversary of the birth of Washington under the auspices of the Union League club was held in the Auditorium yesterday afternoon. The great hall was filled to its utmost capacity, the stage being occupied by a large chorus of children from the high schools of the city, which, in company

FREDERIC R. COUDERT.

with the great organ in the hall, furnished music for the occasion. The oration of the day was delivered by Hon. Frederic R. Coudert, of New York, who spoke on "War and Arbitration." His address was received with great favor by the audience. He began with a eulogy of George Washington, stating that notwithstanding the country had other great men in all the departments of human activity, yet Washington renowned "first in war; first in peace; and first in the hearts of his countrymen." The speaker then referred to the facts that man was a fighting animal; that military heores had always been most popular and to the former penalties of peace.

Was Degrading to Labor.

At that time it was degrading to labor; but these ideas had changed; labor was honorable now and human life was growing more valuable. He then told of the costliness of war in human lives, referring to the losses in some of the battles of the Franco-Prussian war, and said that war was fast becoming obsolute. He said: "Over 100 years ago the young commonwealth made its first treaty of arbitration to settle a question of boundaries with Great Britain, and from that day until this she has never hesitated to control her resentments and to hold back the anger of her people, that judgment and not violence might determine the right. * * * Great Britain, to her honor be it said, has not been far behind us in the example that we have given. She too, has preferred law to violence. * * * There are few more hopeful signs in the history of arbitration than that between Great Britain and the United States which is known as the Geneva arbitration.

Both Nations Had Much to Forgive.

"Both nations had much to forgive, and much cause for resentment, but they mastered the temptation, and the result was the great lesson of the century. Since this great object lesson in international arbitration, it is idle to talk of insurmountable obstacles in the way of promoting peace. If the United States could condone the depredations of the Alabama, and Great Britain could pay for them, as she did, arbitration must be easy. But it was never so easy as today." The speaker quoted Generals Grant, Sherman and others as denouncing war and criticised Von Moltke for saying: "War enters into the views and designs of Providence; it is a means for the people worthy of fulfilling their object on earth, a divine mission not to fall into decay, and to retemper the edge of their manhood."

SOME FOOD FOR THE SENATE.

Speaker's Comments on the Objections to the Olney Treaty.

After referring to the improvements in death-dealing arms, the speaker proceeded as follows: "Today the United States and Great Britain are striving to crown the glories of this dying century with something better and greater than the world has seen. It is proposed to abolish homicide as a test of international right by submitting causes of dispute to the calm judgment of wise men; a resolution so simple and so economical that it requires great ingenuity to assail it with plausible reasons. All concede that in theory the plan is admirable, and that in practice on a limited scale it has proved of priceless value, that it is infinitely more likely to produce rational results than the only other alternative—viz.: resort to war. But, say the objectors, what if our national honor should become involved! A momentous question, indeed, and one absolutely impossible of reply until we are told what is this national honor, wherein it lies, and how best it may be asserted. In what one of our many differences with Great Britain has our honor become so involved that the delicacy of its constitution required a prompt and vigorous regime of blood and iron?

"And yet we have had hot and long disputes, where honor might have been called to the front by either nation, and made the pretense for a refusal to arbitrate. A nation's honor, I would venture to say, is never compromised by temperance or injured by forbearance. A nation's honor is not served by rash counsels, nor by violent impulses recklessly indulged in. It is indeed a frail and delicate possession if it cannot live in an atmosphere of peace, it is a dangerous one if it is tarnished by friendly discussion and a disposition to hearken to the voice of justice. National honor may perhaps shine all the brighter when a great nation is slow to admit that her just dignity may be imperiled by the act of others. The honor of a nation is in her keeping, not in that of her neighbors; it cannot be lost save by her own act. To preserve her honor should be her main object and purpose, but she should not readily believe those who tell her that by hard blows alone may its integrity be protected.

"A nation's honor consists in fidelity to her engagements, in carrying out her contracts in spirit as in the letter, in paying her just debts, inrespecting the rights of others, in promoting the welfare of her people, in the encouragement of truth, in teaching obedience to the law, in cultivating honorable peace with the world. How can our national honor be so grievously invaded that there can be no room for remonstrance, no time for discussion, no opportunity allowed the aggressor for amendment? Spain within a few years offended Germany most greviously, and, it was said, insulted her flag, but Germany nevertheless arbitrated with Spain and allowed the pope to decide the question at issue. Has Germany's honor suffered thereby?

"We seized British ships in the Behring sea and condenmed them in our ports—a most grevious insult according to the sensitive and self-constituted custodians of British honor, but Great Britain adopted peaceful counsels, and a wise court heard, examined, and decided the case without any apparent injury to British honor. * * * As with men honor often means pride unembarrassed by scruples, so it may be with a nation. The standard with men differs according to latitude and surroundings, to social institutions and traditions, to civilization, religion, and many other things. Men resort to the shotgun, the revolver, the bowie knife, or the club to heal or defend their honor, and lose it as often as they mend it."

In the evening a banquet was held at the home of the Union League club, at which the speakers were Coudert, Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, A. B. Cummins, James R. Garfield and Colonel Henry L. Turner.

All the schools in the city held anniversary exercises yesterday and the national ensign floated everywhere.

PINGREE SPEAKS AT DETROIT.

Urges the Republicans to Establish "Equality of Taxation."

Detroit, Feb. 23.—Eight hundred members of the Michigan club banqueted merrily last evening in the big Auditorium. It was the twelfth annual gala night of the club. Behind the speakers was a large portrait of Washington, flanked by those of McKinley and Hobart. From the galleries a large audience of both sexes looked down upon the scene, and orchestral music added to the pleasurable excitement of the evening. The one disappointing feature was the absence of Chairman Hanna, who, it had been announced, would be present and respond to the toast "The Victory of 1896." A telegram was received from him in which he said it was impossible from him to leave home before he goes to Washington.

General R. A. Alger was toastmaster. The general amid great cheering feelingly thanked his friends of thirty years' standing for their very evident friendship. General Alger introduced Governor Pingree, who welcomed the club and guests, incidentally eulogizing Washington and theheroes of his time. The governor deprecated the conservatism which generally stands back when fighting is in progress and asserted that the people of today were as earnestly demanding reforms as those of '76, and added: "If the Republican party and Republican leaders are blind to the situation of today as was George III to the demands of the colonists, reforms will be brought about by other men and other parties and we will be simply wreath-hangers when the thing is over."

On his favorite theme of taxation the governor said: "The farmers and the laboring men of Michigan have for years been paying four times their due proportion of the tax, compared with that taken from corporate privileges. This is against the principles of the Republican party, whose old motto is: 'Principles, not men.' We have it in our hands to remedy this wrong. I trust we may not trifle with it. Let us establish equality of taxation. The state is waiting. To be patriotic is to be honest."

Saluted the Day with 21 Guns.

Nice, Feb. 23. — The United States cruiser San Francisco, flagship of the American squadron in European waters, fired salutes of twenty-one guns yesterday morning, at noon and at sunset in honor of Washington's birthday. The cruiser last night was brilliantly illuminated.

M'KINLEY IS IN SECLUSION.

Allowed to See None but His Family and Secretaries.

Canton, O., Feb. 23.—The president-elect did not receive his most intimate friends yesterday, and a score of callers returned to their hotels and homes with the information that "Major McKinley is positively not receiving callers today." Dr. T. H. Phillips, the family physician, has given instructions to that effect and only members of the family and his secretaries gain access to his private office. There need be no apprehension as to the health of Major McKinley, but the physician says he must have absolute freedom from care and disturbance to fully prepare him for the trying scenes of next week.

Carter H. Harrison for Mayor.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—The People's party held its city convention yesterday afternoon and nominated Carter H. Harrison for mayor, and Joseph J. Hubbard for city attorney. The People's party expects that the Democrats will select Harrison for mayor, and at the same time indorse their nominee for city attorney, thus making a fusion of the two parties similar to that in the late national campaign. Harrison is the son of the late Mayor Harrison, who was assassinated in 1893.

Rates to the Great Fight.

St. Louis, Feb. 23.—The Missouri Pacific railroad made somewhat of an innovation yesterday by officially announcing its rate to the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight, and incorporating board and lodging. The figures given were: Fare, $72.50; lodging, $15; board, $17.50; total, $105.

Last Survivor of the Black Hawk War.

Springfield, Ills., Feb. 23.—Philip Clark, the last survivor of the Black Hawk war, was buried Sunday in Clinton. He was 85 years old, and served in the war under Captain Araham Lincoln. His wife, aged 83 years, is dangerously ill.

Pope Walker Blondin Dead.

London, Feb. 23.—Blondin, the pope walker, is dead.

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To whom it may concern:—

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, John H. Jackson, A. B. Hill, John H. Herr, S. G. Antisdale, W. H. Hollis, W. G. Newland and R. M. Jones, a majority of whom are residents of the state of Michigan, intend to organize and incorporate the Sunshine Accident and Sick Benefit Association, under the general laws of the state of Michigan, with the principal place of business at Benton Harbor.

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8 56	1 30	Galien		11 23	6 03
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7 32	12 05	Plymouth		12 55	7 29
6 05	10 37	Logansport		2 18	8 58
a. m.	6 20	Terre Haute		6 20	p. m
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Crackers, per pound	5c	Sweet Chocolate	7c
1 gal. Cider Vinegar	12½c	California Peaches, 3 cans	15c
Golden Syrup, per gal	20c	Golden Pumpkin	9c
1 lb. Best Cocoanut	15c	Salt Pork	5c
1-2 lb. Best Cocoanut	10c	Arm and Hammer Soda	6c
2 lb. package Buckwheat	5c	Magic Yeast and Yeast Foam	3c
Matches, per package, 200 count	10c	25c Tea	19c
5 gallon Oil Can	50c	Sapolio	8c
1 lb. Best 50c Tea	33c	Bulk Starch	4c
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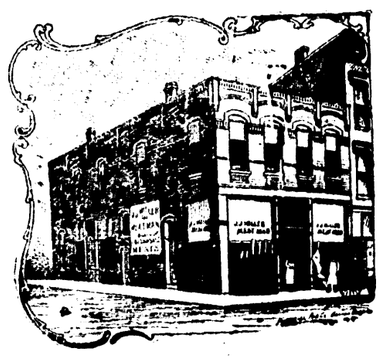

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TARIFF SITUATION.

Dingley's Bill Will Not Be Completed This Session.

TOO MUCH WORK YET TO BE DONE.

Some Difficulty Expected Over the Wool Schedules—Measure Will Be Ready for the Extra Session—Business Men's League Gives the Committee Some Advice and Offers to Help It with Statistics—The Day's Proceedings in Congress.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Chairman Dingley, of the ways and means committee, will not be able to report to the house the tariff bill which will probably bear his name before the beginning of the extra session of congress to be called for the 15th of March. There would have been little to be gained by reporting the bill to the house in this session, even if it was possible, because it would have to be re-introduced in the Fifty-fifth congress, but the Republican members of the ways and means committee will not be able to finish the bill before the close of this congress. They have been working every day for weeks on the bill, but a member said yesterday that they would be obliged to work very hard to finish their task by the beginning of the extra session. The past few days have been spent by the tariff makers principally in shaping the language of those schedules of the bill in which they have agreed upon the rates.

Wool Schedule Will Be Difficult.

Several of the most important features of the bill are yet practically unconsidered. These include the wool, cotton and sugar schedules, and the free list. The first of these promises to give the most trouble, because of the failure of the wool growers and manufacturers to reach any agreement on rates. In order to complete the bill the Republican members of the ways and means committee will stay in Washington after congress adjourns and devote their time to the work. It is expected that as soon as the extra session meets Speaker Reed, who will undoubtedly be re-elected, will appoint the same members to the ways and means committee who are now serving and the bill will be reported to the house.

National Business League Statement.

John W. Eln, attorney of the National Business League, by direction of Ferdinand W. Peck, Moses P. Handy, C. A. Gilbert and Elbridge G. Keith, members of the executive committee of the league, has presented a statement to Chairman Dingley, of the ways and means committee, in which regret is expressed that the organization "was not completed in season for our representatives to be present at the public hearings given by your committee. In view of the well-known fact that a large proportion of the people who take the trouble to go to Washington to attend such hearings are seeking to promote their business interests, and the further fact that public statistics as to tariff effects on domestic manufactures are at present meagre and are not easily procured from the interested parties, we might, perhaps, have rendered assistance to your committee, through the combined experience of our membership."

VIEWS OF THE LEAGUE SET FORTH.

Wants the Tariff Revision To Be Conservative—Assistance Offered.

The statement proceeds as follows: "Members of your committee having very courteously expressed their willingness to receive and consider any statements we may present to the committee, we now take occasion to express to you the desire of this league—which we believe is the true desire of a large majority of the business men of the country—that the present revision of the tariff upon which you are engaged shall be a conservative one. While we understand that it is your intention by this revision to obtain more revenue and to protect American labor, we ask that its benefits and its burdens be spread as nearly equal as possible, and so as to 'foster general, rather than special interests.'

"We belive that the country has now had sufficient experience with tariffs to furnish a basis upon which revisions may be made more scientifically than heretofore, and that the objects desired—whether revenue or protection—may be secured, and at the same time general business prosperity forwarded. We understand that your committee is endeavoring to work along these lines, and we tender you any assistance in that direction which you may desire from us. We will furnish you some statistics from time to time, and as soon as we are able to get them into proper form.

"We also take this opportunity to say that the league being in favor of taking the tariff out of politics favors the establishment of a new department of the government, to be designated the 'department of commerce and industry' (the scope of which we will not discuss here) and of a tariff bureau in that department which after the present revision—shall investigate and report on all contemplated changes in the tariff before action by congress. And we believe that this bureau should be composed of non-partisan experts, of such character and reputation that their report on each schedule or subject investigated by them will be conclusive as to the facts and influential in the decision."

SECTARIAN SCHOOLS SUSTAINED.

Senate Agrees to the Clause in the Indian Bill—House Transactions.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The senate spent its first hour yesterday in listening to Washington's farewell address read by Daniel, and then turned its attention to the Indian appropriation bill. The clause directing temporary contracts with sectarian schools when no government schools were available was agreed to—51 to 8. A provision was added declaring it to be the settled policy of the government hereafter to make no appropriations whatever for the support of sectarian schools. The bill is still under consideration.

A veto from President Cleveland on a private pension bill brought out sharp criticism from Gallinger against the president's course. Morgan said that the passage of all these bills would involve less expense than the amount which went to the syndicate taking the bond issues. An attempt to pass the territorial judicial bill failed although the fate of four men to be executed today depended upon its passage. There was debate on the Loud postal bill and Stewart gave notice that he would not let it pass. Allison warned the senate that it would require hard work to get through the appropriation bills and 11 a. m. was fixed as the time to meet on and after tomorrow.

The house pasaed the general deficiency appropriation bill and began the consideratio of the last money bill, that providing for the naval establishment. A long debate occurred over the propriety of the appropriation of $1,310,000 for the Southern Pacific railroad under the judgment of the court of claims, but the house—102 to 138—refused to strike it out. The members who favored the appropriation for the payment to members of the last congress of salary withheld from them on account of absence carried their fight into the house, but they were beaten—96 to 122. Sixteen of the forty-eight pages of the naval bill were completed.

Courtesies to the Incomers.

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Cleveland, Secretary Lamont and Attorney General Harmon will entertain their successors at dinner on March 3. Secretary Olney will also probably entertain Secretary Gage, Secretary Wilson, and perhaps other members of the McKinley cabinet. This will be in marked contrast to the outgoing Harrison administration, whose members hurriedly left the city, barely stopping to speak to their successors.

Calls Butler an "Uncorked Populist."

Washington, Feb. 23.—While the Loud postal bill was up in the senate yesterday Butler (Pop.) said the bill was "infamous," and if the people understood it they would not tolerate it. This bill would destroy book concerns and throw thousands out of employment. Chandler said he would not attempt to talk against an "uncorked Populist."

McKinley to Suspend an Order.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Grosvenor, of Ohio, one of McKinley's intimate friends, says McKinley will probably suspend Cleveland's sweeping civil service order when he takes the presidential chair. This order puts all the offices in the executive branch of the government on the civil service list.

President Reserves Forest Lands.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The president yesterday signed thirteen proclamations setting aside as many new forest reservations, containing in all 21,379,840 acres of land.

DEATH HAS BEEN BIG AGAIN.

Four Persons Burned to Death—The Grim Terror on the Rail.

Hannibal, Mo., Feb. 23.—The residence and store of Marks, on Main street, took fire at 2:30 yesterday morning, and before the flames were controled $5,000 worth of property was destroyed, and the following persons burned to death: M. Marks, owner of the burned home; William Reid, a boarder; two boys, sons of Marks.

Cincinnati, Feb. 23.—Eleven persons were hurt in a railway wreck on the Chesapeake and Ohio road, opposite Portsmouth, Ohio, yesterday. A. G. Stout, roadmaster, died in half an hour, and M. A. Faulkner, baggagemaster, was so seriously hurt that he may die. The others were severely wounded.

Ebenburg, Pa., Feb. 23.—By the collision of a train with a box car on the Cresson branch of the Pennsylvania road, near this place yesterday, five persons were seriously hurt and a score were slightly injured. The seriously hurt are: W. P. Shiver, fireman, may die; John Foreman, mail agent, Huntington, Pa.; Michael Myers, of Lilly, Pa.; S. C. Child, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Thomas Barnes, Phillipsburg, Pa.

Rigo and Clara Are Flushed.

London, Feb. 23.—Janos Rigo, the Hungarian gypsy musician with whom the Princess de Chimay eloped, has written to a friend in Antwerp saying that seventeen impresarios have offered him engagements. He has declined all of them. He added that he did not lack funds and that he and the princess were going to the United States.

Mrs. Beecher Has Another Relapse.

Stamford, Conn., Feb. 23.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher had another relapse last evening. There is a genral weakness of all the vital organs which presages speedy dissolution. It is thought that the end will come within twenty-four hours.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

Michael Gleason, aged 85, residing at Galena, Ind., was killed under peculiar circumstances. He started to transfer a flock of forty sheep from one lot to another and was letting down the bars of a fence when a ram dashed at him and butted him to the ground. While lying prostrate the other sheep followed and trampled him to death.

The inauguration of the eight-hour labor day, moved by the Social Democrats, has been rejected by the German reichstag.

While running with desperate effort to avoid arrest at Chicago Nicholas Mentgen lost his life under the wheels of a Northwestern passenger train.

Mrs. J. R. Raymond celebrated at Montreal the 100th anniversary of her birth. She has five children living, aged 81, 76, 74, 68 and 63 years.

John Jacob Astor's $5,000,000 hotel, which is in course of erection next to the Waldorf in New York, will be called the Astoria.

Judge Buckingham, of Shelby county, Ind., has been applied to for an injunction to restrain all clergymen and magistrates from marrying the son of one Snodgrass to a girl neighbor.

Permission was given for the British warship Comus to land sailors and marines at San Diego, Cal., and they took part in the Washington's birthday parade there.

New York architects and builders plan for the expenditure of over $125,000,000 during 1897 for new buildings in that city.

From one to two feet of snow has fallen at Plainfield, Wis., drifting badly. Many drifts are six feet deep in the highways and business is suspended.

The president has vetoed the bills to pension Mary A. Veil and Mar. Mary A. Freeman, both remarried widows.

The demonstration of unemployed suggested by "General" Coxey for Washington's birthday did not take place in St. Louis.

The Buffalo, N. Y., Boilermakers' union has ordered a general strike in every Buffalo shop but one. Over 200 men have quit work.

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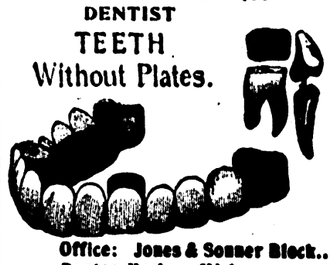

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

BAND concert and dance this evening.

THE West Michigan nurseries and Morrill & Morley are sending out thousands of catalogues and price lists at present.

DANIEL Sammons of Hartford fell on an icy sidewalk in that village yesterday and broke his thigh bone. Mr. Sammons is well known in this city.

CHORUS practice at the Congregational church at 6:45 tonight. Please be prompt as several wish to attend an entertainment later in the evening.

W. F. SEEL today received $2,000 from the Modern Woodmen for Mrs. Jane Jeffrey, beneficiary of the late William S. Jeffrey. Mrs. Jeffrey is now residing at South Boardman.

IF the present favorable weather continues the steamer City of Louisville will commence making regular trips to Chicago between the first and middle of March.

THE case of Murphey vs Baker is being heard in Justice Hammond's court this afternoon.

CHARLES Babcock and Frank Jones of Babcock & Stephens orchestra assisted Schear's orchestra at the ball in St. Joseph last night.

JUDGE Coolidge has fined J. Chrest of St. Joseph $10 for obstructing the streets of St. Joseph with a sign. He had previously been convicted of the offense.

THE board of directors of the Alger Guards met in Justice Graves' office this afternoon and elected the following officers: President, C. K. Farmer; vice president, H. B. Volheim; secretary, J. Harry Pound; treasurer, H. U. Rapp.

WILLIAM Ross, Vineyard avenue, is the owner of a vicious dog which tried to take a friendly chunk out of the limb of one of Jack Coates' boys yesterday. Mr. Coates swore out a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Ross who appeared before Judge Hammond this morning and agreed to settle the matter by killing the dog.

NOT EXACTLY RIGHT is the way thousands of people feel. It is because their blood is pure. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the One True Blood Purifier, will promptly set them right.

HOOD'S PILLS are purely vegetable and do not purge, pain or gripe. All druggists.

SICK AND CONVALESCING.

Miss Hettie Lewis is confined to her home by illness.

Dr. George Hell's condition is slightly improved today.

W. T. Hopkins, 118 Washington street is improving after a serious illness.

Attorney N. A. Hamilton is confined to his home through illness. He was unable to appear in court today.

Chicken Pie.

The Daughter of Rebekah will serve supper in the vacant store building across from postoffice, Wednesday evening, February 24. Menu, chicken pie, escalloped potatoes, salads, light biscuits, coffee, jellies, pickles, assorted cake. Supper from 5 to 8 only 15 cents. Special invitation to business men. Supper will be over in time for evening entertainments.

Grand Opening.

I shall be pleased to meet the ladies of Benton Harbor and vicinity at my dressmaking parlors, rooms 9 and 10 Hulburd block, on March 6 1897. I will present each lady with a perfect fitting waist pattern.

I also teach the French system of dress cutting and furnish chart and model to each graduate.

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Nate Gifford's hack makes all trains.

Don't forget the band concert and dance to be given by Frazell's band next Tuesday evening. 431t2

Play the Mandolin.

The mandolin is not hard to learn. You can play well by note in 12 lessons. Ed. Chrest will be in Benton Harbor Mondays and Fridays. Leave your card at Frazell's and he will call on you. 428t26.

We have given John Schairer the agency in Benton Harbor for our Barley Malt Whiskey. Distilled from malted barley it is rich and nutritious, and free from all impurity. For the sick and feeble it is a true tonic.
E. H. CHASE & CO., Distillers, Louisville, Ky

Nate Gifford for fine rigs.

Take Notice.

A. E. Nichols, the dime deliveryman, has changed his office from Lowe & Rouse's drug store to Harry L. Bird's. Mr. Nichols says please try him at his new office and orders will receive more prompt attention. Phone 45, 3 rings. Orders may also be left at Michael & Beeny's

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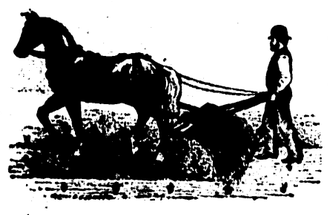

The time for neglecting to order one of our Weeders because you "do not know as it will work" has gone by. It will work, and your can work it to your entire satisfaction if you but half try.

The farmer who five years from now does not use a "Zephaniah Breed Weeder" will be the one whose tools are usually wintered out of doors, whose stables are too "airy" for the comfort of his stock in the winter, and who spends more time in talking politics at the store than he does in making improvements on the farm. Mark what we say.

If the bank officials offered to pay you in October double the amount you deposited in April, you would certainly deposit every cent that you could. Now in using one of Weeders you may save several times in the same time. Tell us if you can, why you "cannot afford to buy a weeder."

The demand for this tool in '96 was so great we could not fill all orders. To insure having a weeder place your order early and have one of the greatest labor saving tools of the day. SEND FOR CATALOGUE.

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A sample of the New Deering Binder and Mower for '97 now on the floor which we shall be pleased to show to all interested.

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SOCIETY'S CORNER.

What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.

The W. W. T. Chautauquans enjoyed a very profitable meeting last Saturday with Mrs. Morley on Britian avenue. Circle will meet next Saturday at 2:30 p. m. with Miss Maud Vincent at Hotel Whitcomb, St. Joseph, with the following program: Roll call, Greek alphabet; music, Chautauqua Glee club, "First Two Centuries of Historical Development of Greece," Mrs. B. H. Van Camp; reading, "Richter's Dream;" Mrs. C. N. Sears; "The Moon and Eclipses," Miss Cora Hull; "The Constellation Auridge," Miss Maud Vincent; "The Last Man," Miss Frances Hull; a talk by class, "The Purification of Water," led by Mrs. C. R. Hendrix; question table, Mrs. Drake.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at Mrs. A. Knowles, 129 Washington street, Wednesday at 3 p. m. Full attendance is desired as there is important business.

Mrs. Storrer, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Vance, entertained about fifteen of her lady friends from 2 to 5 at progressive pedro this afternoon. An exquisitely beautiful bouquet was given to the lady winning the most points. At 4 o'clock dainty refreshments were beautifully served.

Miss Rose Hayett of Muskegon is the guest of relatives here.

Miss Lillian Dalrymple who has been in Fort Wayne for the past two weeks is expected home this week.

Charles Schriver left this morning for Grand Rapids on business connected with the West Michigan Nurseries.

Miss Mae Fisher returned home last evening from Marion Ind., where she spent several weeks with relatives and friends.

The Home Circle met at the hospitable home of Mrs. W. L. Hogue last Friday afternoon with a full attendance. The members responded to roll call with quotations from Emerson. "The Little Fisher Malden" was a piano solo by Mrs. Dr. Watson. Mrs. Clarence Warner gave a character sketch of "Pythagoras" This was followed by Mrs. F. J. Soule with a select reading, entitled "Old Aunt Kate." Mrs. Dr. Watson read a paper on the "Persian War" which was discussed by the entire circle. An interesting feature of the program was the question table, prepared and conducted by Mrs. W. L. Hogue. After the program marsh mallows were roasted over tiny wax candles which brought up visions of summer and "camping out." The circle will meet next Friday at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. Will Poundstone on Jefferson street with the following program: Quotations, Whittier; reading, Mrs. Smith; "The Seven Wise Men of Greece," Mrs. Bowman; "The Parthenon," Mrs. Rathbun; discussion of the present difficulties with Crete; question table, Mrs. Hogue.

Frazell's entire military band of 24 pieces will give their concert and dance in Conkey's hall this evening and it is expected that a large crowd will be in attendance. During the concert the band will render "My Old Kentucky Home" with variations. This concert piece was rendered by Wurzburg's band of Grand Rapids, last fall and is one of the finest selections ever played in the city.

Prof. Lacy, who has had a large class of pupils in dancing this winter will give a German in Conkey's hall tomorrow night. The admission has been placed at 50 cents a couple and for a party of this description the price is very low and the hall should be well filled. It is safe to say that people who have ever attended a German will be there and those who have never enjoyed that pleasure should attend if but for mere curiosity.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Sherman returned yesterday afternoon from a month's visit with relatives and friends in St. Johns.

Mrs. George Bakeman and Mrs. C. A. White will entertain the members of the Home Forum at the latter's home on Courtland street tonight. Refreshments will be served and a delightful time is anticipated.

President Patterson of the St. Joseph Valley railroad left for Chicago at 2:25 this morning.

Rev. M. S. Woodruff left for Muskegon this morning to attend the meeting of the clergy of the diocese of western Michigan.

Probate Court.

The hearing in the Hickory Creek drain inquiry has been adjourned to Wednesday, March 3, owing to the attorneys interested being engaged in the circuit court.

Relief in Six Hours

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., 103 Main street, Druggist, Benton Harbor, Mich.

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The Abady Cigar company is again prepared to fill orders for its popular brands, including the "Simon Sweeper," "Simon's Extra Quality," "Abady Best" and "Washington," five for 10c. Ask your dealers for them. 26t426

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"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits.

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Groceries cheap for cash at Dave Ryan's.

Laocoon of the Lake.

STRUGGLE BETWEEN A MAN IN PORT COLBORNE AND A SERPENT.

Wrapped in the Meshes of Kidney Disease, Harvey Neff Was Nigh Unto Death Until He Took Dodd's Kidney Pills.

FORT COLBORNE, Ont., Dec.—A terrible battle took place at Humberstone, a few miles distant from this port, between Harvey H. Neff, and a fatal form of kidney disease. The disease was routed finally, but not until after doctors had given up Neff to die, and Neff was almost hopeless himself.

When a man is stricken by kidney disease, though he be strong and rugged it takes a lion's heart to fight the disease off. Neff was attacked when just recovering from a long seige of typhoid fever, and was weak and exhausted from his struggle for life.

It is the general belief of all who know personally of the case, that Neff would have died had it not been for DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS, which gave him the victory.

The triumphant conqueror tells how it happened in these lines:

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In March I was taken down with a bad form of kidney disease, the after effects of typhoid fever. I had the doctors attend me for some time, but could get no relief. I read of DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS through an advertisement, and determined to try a box. After using one box I began to improve, and after using five boxes, I felt like a new man. Their effect was wonderful on me. I would most heartily recommend them to any person suffering from any disease of the kidneys.

HARVEY H. NEFF.
Humberstone, Ont.

The above cure is no more wonderful than hundreds of others. DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS are the sovereign remedy for Bright's Disease, Diabetes and all other forms of kidney trouble. Price only 50 cents a box. Any druggist.

ABOUT THE COUNTY.

Baroda.

The funeral of Alexander Brown, an old settler was held at the church in this village on Saturday last. There was a large attendance. His loss is one that the community will deeply feel, as he was an estimable citizen. He was born in England in 1824. Had been an invalid for several months.

The many friends of John Burke will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from his recent serious illness.

Supervisor O. P. Miller and Samuel Marrs attended the Republican Convention at St. Joseph last week.

Chas. Peters the liveryman is quite sick with the grip.

The ladies' Aid Society of Baroda spent a very pleasant day on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. John Shafer. Quilting, and carpet rags kept all pretty busy. A delightful dinner was prepared and most heartily enjoyed by all present. There were about forty in attendance.

On the 3 of March the ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Knight.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Parish have moved to Stevensville. We shall miss them very much. A farewell surprise was held at their home last Friday evening and every one spent a pleasant evening.

Miss Hogue has returned after a long vacation. We are all glad to welcome her once more.

Mrs. Hunt has almost recovered. We are glad to see her around again.

Miss Martha J. House returned home a few days ago after a short absence from the village on business.

Exercises consisting of recitations and essays from Longfellow and Lowell by the pupils were held at the school room Friday afternoon.

The little daughter of Samuel Marrs is sick with something like the grip.

J. Race is now canvassing for the "Life of Bryan" instead of W. O. Sleight, the former agent.

Band concert next Tuesday evening. After the concert an informal hop will be given.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

Evening News and K. P. cigars.

Hall & Nichols have their new long distance telephone in operation

The City Steam laundry does more work than all other laundries in Berrien county combined. It is fine work that has built up the trade.

WANTED IN SMALL FAMILY, A GENeral servant—German or Swede preferred. No washing. Mrs. Strickland, next door to Mayor Bell. 433t6

MORTGAGE SALE.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage dated the 20th of October, 1891, executed by Cathrine R. Oden, of the City of Benton Harbor, County of Berrien, and State of Michigan, to H. Adeline Danforth of the City of Albany and State of New York, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county of Berrien and State of Michigan in liber 61 of mortgages on page 381 on the 25th day of October, A. D. 1891, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of $2,567.77, and an attorney fee provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover the said sum or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided. Notice is hereby given that the said mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of the premises in said mortgage described at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the city of St. Joseph, Berrien county, Michigan, on Wednesday, the 10th day of May, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, which premises are described in said mortgage as follows: The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 32, township four (4) south of range eighteen (18) west (excepting the west fifteen (15) acres,) being twenty-five (25) acres more or less. Also the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 32, town four (4) south of range eighteen (18) west (except west ten (10) acres,) being thirty (30) acres more or less, both parcels being in the township of Benton, County of Berrien and State of Michigan.

Dated February 22, 1897.

H. ADELINE DANFORTH,
Mortgagee.

VALENTINE & ELLSWORTH,
Attorneys for Mortgagee.

REMOVAL NOTICE.

Back Again to Our Old Love!

On March 1 we will occupy our old store

105 West Main street, Jones & Sonner block. Let all of our old friends take notice and govern themselves accordingly. Up to that time you can find us at 118 Pipestone street, Bowman block, where we are helping the needy by furnishing them goods so cheap that they need but a little money to satisfy their wants.

A Good Summer Silk at 19c.
Ladies' Wool Equestrian Tights, 75c.
50c part Wool Men's Underwear, 24c.
Children's Heavy Cotton Union Suits, 29c.

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Pipestone St. is the Place

We have put in a stock of **SCHOOL SUPPLIES and STATIONERY**

Our Stock of Groceries is Most Complete and Fresh

Prompt delivery to all parts of the city...

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Own your own home. Make money by buying now.

Largest list of good property in Berrien Co. at lowest prices

All lines of insurance.

Steamship and railroad tickets. Accident tickets.

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Fine line imported and domestic Dress Goods,
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Fine line Embroideries and Laces,
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Fine line Corsets,
Fine line all classes of Notions, etc., etc.

We invite a careful inspection of all the above goods.

Our series of special sales will begin Mar. 1

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Generally fair tonight and Wednesday with much lower temperature.

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SECOND YEAR—NO. 433. BENTON HARBOR, MICH., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1897. ONE CENT.

HE'D CURED THE WOES

of suffering sick.

And then, he undertook the law to lick

TWO PROFESSIONAL MEN MIX.

Dr. B. and Lawyer S.,
They debated:
In the talk the lawyer said:
"You little runt belated."
"Maybe I'm small but I ain't no runt
And my head's not dilated.
Next time we *meet you'll apologize*
Or find yourself miscreated."
They met,
And "So."

Dr. W. C. Bastar and City Attorney Charles N. Sears held a public debate on Pipestone street last night in front of the drug store of J. A. Sheffield & Son.

The debate was on the question, "Resolved, that the science of medicine has *done more in establishing peace among* men than the law; in short, that medicine is more powerful than law."

No previous announcement of the literary feast had been made and there were but one or two witnesses at the beginning of the able and forceful discussion but in about two minutes the crowd numbered two hundred of the progressive citizens who never lose an opportunity to see good things. (The oldest inhabitant afterward remarked no dog fight ever was so successful in gathering together an appreciative audience in a hurry.)

Dr. Bastar, it appears, was riding up the street in his buggy, the attorney was moving along the sidewalk in the opposite direction. Their eyes met. The doctor's horse balked and wouldn't move a peg farther. The attorney's feet seemed riveted to the walk and of course he was compelled to stop. The doctor climbed out his rig and pulled *all his big fur coat, for* somehow he had become uncomfortably warm.

The eloquence then began. Dr. Bastar discussed the affirmative of the question with the power of a Y. M. C. A. senator and Lawyer Sears when it came his turn talked all around the doctor. Either one thought the other was getting the better of it and they began making gestures. The gestures were somewhat violent and as the men were standing too close together their faces and gestures came together. Finally one of the gestures took the lawyer right below the *right* eye and he was plunged head first through Mr. Sheffield's store window. After the copious streams of blood were washed off his face the lawyer was able to walk home. He remarked that it was not over yet.

It appears that at the republican county convention last week Mr. Sears called Dr. Bastar a "little runt," and the doctor at that time said the lawyer would be soon given a chance to apologize. The debate last night was the sequel.

Some of the witnesses believe that under ordinary circumstances Mr. Sears could convince Dr. Bastar that he (Bastar) is wrong.

To particularize, at the republican county convention at St. Joseph last week the trouble started. W. L. George and Dr. Bastar, the chief promoters of Miss Farmer's candidacy for school commissioner, were *reported* as saying that Mr. Sears had broken faith. And it was specified by the convention gossips that Mr. Sears had promised to support Miss Farmer and when he law the tide of sentiment at the convention he climbed over into Mr. Clarke's bandwagon in a hurry.

Now that was a mean thing to say about Mr. Sears and outside of bible teachings the attorney was justified in hushing the doctor with the advice:

"Shut up you little runt."

Mr. Sears was justified. And so was Dr. Bastar when he merely asked an opportunity to introduce a little indisputable evidence to prove to the attorney that he wasn't a "little runt."

Attorney Sears was found at his office as usual this morning. When asked about the affair the lawyer said, "Tell the truth. It will vindicate me. The assault was unprovoked and all I did was merely in self defense."

Dr. Bastar was out when THE NEWS called for his version.

Mr. Sheffield naturally wants to pay for his show window, and he should get it.

A MUSICAL FEAST.

Such Will Be the Concert at the Congregational Church.

One of the choicest musical events *of the season having been in preparation* by the Congregational chorus choir and their friends will be given Wednesday evening. No pains have been spared to make this an entertainment to please lovers of good music. A chorus of 30 voices has been drilling on the selection, "Happy and Blest are They" from the oratorio "St. Paul" by Mendelssohn which will be accompanied by an orchestra and piano; the chorus will also render that magnificent chorus "Oh! Italia, Italia Beloved" from "*Lucregia*" by *Donizetti*; a ladies chorus of 20 voices comprising some of the best local talent in the city will render "The Spinning Chorus" from "The Flying Dutchman" by Wagner, also "The Peasant's Wedding March" by Soderman both of which cannot fail to please.

Miss Roe will again delight us with a piano solo. Miss Roe is comparatively a new addition to the musical talent of the city but they who have heard her have been charmed with her skill and expression.

A brass quartet will also render a selection. Other parts of the program will be solos by Mesdames Wentworth, Hurlburt, Cady, also a male chorus.

Misses Radcliff and Zebelle, our favorite elocutionists, will favor us with some choice selections.

The price of admission is wholly inadequate to the program but inasmuch as the object is not for "revenue only" but to entertain their friends the low price of 15 cents or two admissions for 25 cents will defray the expenses and perhaps leave a small surplus to purchase music for the choir. Children will be admitted for 10 cents.

Doors open at 7:30 p. m. Concert to commence at 8 p. m.

PART I.

Organ solo.....Prof. Nelson
"Happy and Blest Are They" from St. Paul .....Mendelssohn
Chorus.
Solo Selection.....
Sarah Carey accompanied by Freddie Haynes
Solo Mignon.....D'Hardelot
Mrs. Don Wentworth.
Recitation.....Selection
Miss Sophia Zebell.
Male Quartette.
"Whirl and Twirl," from the Flying Dutchman.....Wagner
Ladies' Chorus.
Brass quartette.

PART II.

Piano solo, "Rigoletto,".....Liszt
Miss Grace Roe.
"The Peasant's Wedding March,"....Soderman
Ladies' Chorus.
Reading.....Selection
Mr. Frank Welton.
Solo "Thou Art So Like a Flower" Rubenstein
Mrs. Grace Cady.
Male Chorus.
Solo, "Marguerite,".....Bischoff
Mrs. Howard Hurlbut.
Recitation.....Selection
Miss Flora Radcliff.
Ladies' Quartette.....
....Mesdames Wentworth, Cady, Rupp, Cole
"Oh! Italia, Italia Beloved" from "Lucretia"
.....Donizetti

AN INSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM.

It Was Rendered by the Bay View Reading Circle Last Evening.

The Bay View Reading circle met with C. Ayres on Columbus avenue, Monday evening. The circle studied the lives and literary productions of the Alcotts, Curtis Hawthorne and associates. A part of the program was readings and reviews of which the following are a part:

Hawthorne's "Rill From the Town Pump," Lena Harger.
Burrough's "Criticism of Thoreau,"..... Claude Ayres.
A Criticism of Margaret Fuller Ossoli..... Pearl Finch.
A selection from Curtis' "Easy Chair,"..... H. S. Alley.
A review of Hawthorne's "Twice Told Tales." Mrs. Finch.

The circle was served with light refreshments at the close of the study hour. They will meet with Miss Barker on Bellview street next Monday night when a Longfellow program will be given.

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ACTIVE WORK.

The Alger Guards Will Soon Commence Their Drill.

There was a large attendance at the second meeting of the Alger Guards which was held in the city hall last night. Shortly after 8 o'clock Captain Graves called the meeting to order and C. K. Farmer was chosen secretary.

The first in the order of business was the report of the committees. J. Harry Pound, of the membership committee presented 15 new names and upon a ballot they were admitted into the company. Dr. Charles N. Sowers, chairman of the committee on constitution and by-laws submitted the same and they were adopted by a full vote of the company. The by-laws provides for a board of directors composed of six members of the tile company and it was thought best to elect this important board last night, which was done with the following result: H. H. Volheim, C. K. Farmer, H. U. Rapp, W. C. Cantrell, S. M. White and J. Harry Pound.

Captain Graves made a short speech in which he stated what would be expected of the company and the hard *work each member would have to encounter* to attain the degree of perfection which would be expected. He also said that a hall would be secured at once and active work begun.

A SERIOUS FALL.

A Little Girl Fell Through an Open Trap Door This Morning.

About 8:30 this morning as Velma, the eleven year old daughter of Sanford Yeudes, *residing at 116 Washington* street, was on her way to school, she met with an accident, just how serious has not been determined.

The little girl was running along the sidewalk and never noticed a trap door in the walk which was thrown back while a workman was in the cellar removing barrels and boxes. She saw the opening too late and fell headlong to the bottom of the steps where she was picked up in an unconscious condition and removed to her home.

The little one in striking was hit in the stomach by a projecting beam and this afternoon she is in apparent pain from this cause.

It is fortunate that the child escaped with anything less than a broken neck and the wonderment of everyone who saw the accident is that she is alive to tell how it happened. She is the daughter of Sanford Yeudes, an engineer on the St. Joseph Valley railraod.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

The Jury Has the Case of Potter vs Burkhart.

When court opened this morning the case of Potter vs Burkhart which was adjourned from last Friday was taken up. The suit was brought by Calvin B. Potter, attorney at St. Joseph, against Joseph H. Burkhart to recover fees for professional services. Defendant alleges that plaintiff entered into a contract for a specified sum for his services that after the case had been decided by the supreme court he gave him $30 over the sum agreed on and that he was not entitled to more. The case has excited considerable interest, several witnesses being called by the defense to impeach the testimony of the plaintiff.

The court charges the jury at considerable length explaining to them the testimony in the case and how they should consider the evidence of the *witnesses put on the stand to impeach* the veracity of the plaintiff. Witnesses may be honest in their statement but biased if plaintiff had at any time litigation with them.

In the case of John N. Chaddock against Roscoe Tabor, a minor, to recover damages for the loss of one eye and which was partly tried last week, Mr. Gore, for plaintiff, addressed the jury in an able argument in which he pointed out to them that defendant was guilty of negligence: that due caution was not exercised by him in firing *the air gun and that the plea of infancy* was not sustainable.

POLICEMEN'S BALL.

The St. Joseph Police Force Entertain a Large Crowd.

The police force of St. Joseph are to be congratulated upon the grand social and financial success of their annual ball which was held in Martin's Academy of Music last night.

The ball was attended by all of 175 couples not alone from the twin cities but from surrounding towns and cities.

Promptly at 9 o'clock Schear's full orchestra struck up the Grand March and then followed a splendid drill by the officers, led by Officer Sorvis and commanded by Chief Stackey. Mayor John V. Sturr then addressed the force and assured them that the city felt proud and safe under their protection.

The boys are highly elated over the success of their party and are already preparing plans to make next year's ball a greater success than the one last night—if that is possible.

Advertised Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in this office for the week ending February 22, 1897:

Armstrong, H. C.	Redding, Miss Ethel
Guhrr, Mr. Frank	Reynolds, Mr. Frank
Herzog, Mrs. Karolina	(foreign) Guyer, Mr. J. H.
Kuebel, Mr. John	Schultz, Mr. Philip
Loveland, Mr. Cyrus	Smith, L. R.
Tomson, Mrs. Mattie	

When calling for these letters please say "advertised."

EDGAR NICHOLS, P. M.

HAVOC AT CINCINNATI

Ohio River Rising at the Rate of Four Inches Per Hour and Cities are Threatened.

HIGH WATER AT PITTSBURG

Consul General Lee Denies the Report That He Has Resigned His Position.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 23.—At 9 o'clock this morning the Ohio river had reached 51 feet, four inches, and was rising at the rate of four inches per hour. If this continues water will be running into the Grand Central depot by 3 o'clock this afternoon.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 24.—The flood here threatens to exceed that of 1891. All lowlands are under water and the water is still rising.

CHARLESTON, Va., Feb. 24.—The river here is forty feet and is rising. The lowest parts of the city have been under water since last night.

General Lee Has Not Resigned.

HAVANA, Feb. 24.—Consul General Lee denies the report that he has resigned.

LONG RENOMINATED.

Fred Woodruff Honored at Detroit Today.

DETROIT, Feb., 23.—Republican state convention this afternoon nominated Charles D. Long to succeed himself as justice of the supreme court.

Cooker was nominated for regent by acclamation. There are three candidates for the other position of regent.

Fred E. Woodruff of Berrien is one of the tellers of the convention.

THE WRONG BOTTLE.

C. A. White Took a Dose of Iodine for Grip Medicine.

Charles A. White, residing at 115 Courtland street nearly made a fatal *mistake this morning. He has been* afflicted the past few days with an attack of the grip and had gone to a physician and procured a small bottle of medicine for the disease.

Early this morning he went to the shelf and took down a bottle supposed to be grip medicine and pouring out a teaspoon full hastily swallowed it. No sooner had he done so when he discovered that he had taken a dose from the wrong bottle and instead of grip medicine he had taken a deadly dose of iodine. He was soon in great agony and his wife summoned Dr. Bostick in all possible haste. It was only after considerable hard work that Mr. White was returned to consciousness. He is all right now but declares that it was the closest call he ever had.

The Union Prayer Meeting.

The Union prayer meeting at the Presbyterian church, led by Rev. W. P. French last evening, was extremely enthusiastic. Rev. French said the *work of the Union prayer meetings* was all important for they were on the eve of a great battle against the enemies of the church. The forces arrayed against them were powerful but they, as Christians, looked to God and claimed the promise He made that He would be with His children to the end of time.

Rev. Hoffman said in weakness there was strength and the way to climb up was to get down low before God. God asked us to do only what we can but to do that earnestly. It was necessary to consecrate ourselves to God and leave *the issue with Him.*

There was a testimony meeting and then the service closed.

A Challenge.

As Dr. W. C. Bastar claims to be the champion of southwestern Michigan since February 22, 1897, I do hereby challenge him to a fight to a finish to take place within one week from this date at catch weights.

Dated Feb., 23, 1897.

CURT R. FONGER.

Account of Farmers Institute at Niles, Mich.

The Big Four will sell excursion tickets at one and one-third fare for round trip. Tickets on sale February 26 and 27. Good returning March 1.

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FAIR PLAIN LYCEUM.

A Larger Hall May Be Built by Enterprising Citizens.

The progressive people of Fair Plain appear to understand the art of providing home attractions for their young folks. For several years past their lyceum has, during the fall and winter months, furnished amusement and instruction, which, judging from the crowds which attend, are fully appreciated and enjoyed. The inability to harmonize a big crowd of people with a medium sized school room has led the Fair Plainites to the serious con*sideration of the project of building* a large and convenient hall commensurate with the needs of the neighborhood. The programs given at these lyceums are, many of them, most excellent, and are participated in not only by members of the lyceum but also by their literary and musical friends from a distance, who are attracted thither by a desire for rational amusement which their own home neighborhood fail to provide. The following program was presented last Saturday evening: Washington flag exercise by ten little girls: music, Fair Plain band: recitation, "Samuel Short's Success," Miss Nellie Knisely: reading, "That Daring Bee," George Vogel: music, string band: farce, Arthur Aylsworth and Bert Young: song, Daisy Macumber: several songs by Liberty Bell quartet: recitation, Will Blake: duet, Misses Schneider and Bertram: recitation, Mabel Macumber: reading, Miss Flora Gordan: duet, Misses Smith and Schneider: duet, Misses Holmes and Busby.

The efficiency of the new marshal and usher, W. T. Robb, was manifest in the good order and comfort of the crowded audience last Saturday evening.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

Glanders are spreading among the horses in Flint, notwithstanding the quarantine placed over those afflicted several days ago. Another batch was killed Saturday and several more are under quarantine with little hope of recovery.

Cornelius Redner, Carey Hasbrook and a quantity of whiskey started from Jackson Friday evening to drive to Clark's Lake. Saturday morning Redner was found dead in the bottom of the sleigh-box and Hasbrook was helplessly drunk.

James Monroe of Byron, Shiawassee county, who was recently released after serving a short term at Ionia, was arrested Saturday for stealing an overcoat. A few years ago he was a prosperous furniture dealer at Byron, but "got to drinking."

Real Estate Transfers.

Margaret Burns and Mary E. Geyer to Henry McNally and John McNally, in consideration of $1,500, land in Bertrand township.

Frederick S. White to Emma White, city of Niles, for the sum one dollar and love and affection, lots 53, 54, and 55 in O. P. Lacey's addition, to West Niles, being the same premises now occupied by the parties for a residence.

Henry McNally, John McNally and William McNally of Bertrand township, heirs at law of Johana McNally, deceased, to Fred Seyfred, Galien township in consideration of $600, parcel of land in township of Bertrand.

Roscoe Dix auditor general of state to Lucinda Smith of Niles, who became purchaser of the rights of the state for the assessed taxes therin in 1881, in south half of lots 1 and 5, E. W. Hoffman's subdivision of lots 60 and 61. Amount of purchase $9.55.

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Important Tax Notice.

The tax rolls will be turned over to the county treasurer on March 1 and further costs added at that time. All persons who have not paid their taxes should do so at once and save additional expense.

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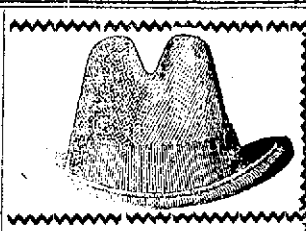

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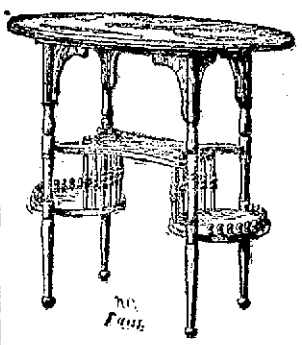

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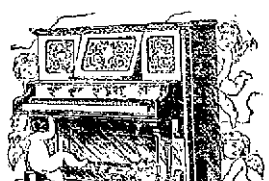

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HERESY AND METHODISTS.

Up to the present time the Presbyterian church has had a monopoly of the modern trials for heresy among her most brilliant men. It now looks as though the Methodist denomination might soon dispute this field with the Presbyterians.

A week ago the meeting of Methodist ministers in New York city was stirred by the remark of one of the leading preachers of that city that he did not believe that the English translation of the bible could be relied upon in detail as being God's inspired word.

At the Monday meeting of the Methodist preachers of Chicago this week, Dr. Frank Crane made several statements which startled his brethren. He expressed the belief that this earth was the *breeding ground to populate* the stars. Then he went on.

"What is the church for, to make men believe?"

"That is the spirit's business," he answered.

"Is it to save men?"

"That is Christ's business."

"It is to preach to men, to reach them and throw around them the right influences and organize them into doing good work."

Dr. Crane advised that the church doors be opened to every one without requiring any religious, moral or intellectual test for admission to membership.

If these ideas continue to increase in the church there will either be a revision of doctrines or the Methodists will have on their hands trials similar to that of Dr. Briggs.

THE NEWS has been asked to censure bitterly Dr. Bastar for his connection with last night's disgrace. That gentleman has without reason or sense in public and private, and as a member of the school board, tried to injure this paper from the day it started. He was never spoken of unkindly or criticised in our columns, but he was the first to ask the favor through a mutual friend that he be "let down" easy in the account of last night's fight. THE EVENING NEWS never criticises anyone from personal reasons, but every rebuke ever printed in these columns was published in the supposed interest of the public good. By the prosperity and growth THE NEWS has enjoyed Dr. Bastar may catch a vision of *the extent of his influence.*

STATISTICS show that in cities of 10,000 or less riots do not occur oftener than once in ten years. This may knock the Alger guards out of all chance to get in the state troops. The other aspirant companies will figure that it will be nine years and 364 days before there is any need for a company of militia in this community again.

THE Burlington railroad company has refused to give reduced rates to the Nevada prize fight on the ground that the fight is immoral. This action proves two things: That the Burlington corporation has a soul; that its soul has been converted.

I KNEW what I was doing when I subscribed $100 toward the city hospital.—W. C. B.

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Coudert's Text for His Washington's Birthday Speech.

PLEA AGAINST WAR ARBITRAMENT

Made for the Chicago Union League Club Before a Packed Audience in the Auditorium—Reply to the Objectors to the Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty and Some Comments on "National Honor," and Where Lies the Danger Thereto.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—The annual celebration of the anniversary of the birth of Washington under the auspices of the Union League club was held in the Auditorium yesterday afternoon. The great hall was filled to its utmost capacity, the stage being occupied by a large chorus of children from the high schools of the city, which, in company

FREDERIC R. COUDERT.

with the great organ in the hall, furnished music for the occasion. The oration of the day was delivered by Hon. Frederic R. Coudert, of New York, who spoke on "War and Arbitration." His address was received with great favor by the audience. He began with a eulogy of George Washington, stating that notwithstanding the country had other great men in all the departments of human activity, yet Washington renowned "first in war; first in peace; and first in the hearts of his countrymen." The speaker then referred to the facts that man was a fighting animal; that military heores had always been most popular and to the former penalties of peace.

Was Degrading to Labor.

At that time it was degrading to labor; but these ideas had changed; labor was honorable now and human life was growing more valuable. He then told of the costliness of war in human lives, referring to the losses in some of the battles of the Franco-Prussian war, and said that war was fast becoming obsolete. He said: "Over 100 years ago the young commonwealth made its first treaty of arbitration to settle a question of boundaries with Great Britain, and from that day until this she has never hesitated to control her resentments and to hold back the anger of her people, that judgment and not violence might determine the right. * * * Great Britain, to her honor be it said, has not been far behind us in the example that we have given. She too, has preferred law to violence. * * * There are few more hopeful signs in the history of arbitration than that between Great Britain and the United States which *is* known as the Geneva arbitration.

Both Nations Had Much to Forgive.

"Both nations had much to forgive, and much cause for resentment, but they mastered the temptation, and the result was the great lesson of the century. Since this great object lesson in international arbitration, it is idle to talk of insurmountable obstacles in the way of promoting peace. If the United States could condone the depredations of the Alabama, and Great Britain could pay for them, as she did, arbitration must be easy. But it was never so easy as today." The speaker quoted Generals Grant, Sherman and others as denouncing war and criticised Von Moltke for saying: "War enters into the views and designs of Providence; it is a means for the people worthy of fulfilling their object on earth, a divine mission not to fall into decay, and to retemper the edge of their manhood."

SOME FOOD FOR THE SENATE.

Speaker's Comments on the Objections to the Olney Treaty.

After referring to the improvements in death-dealing arms, the speaker proceeded as follows: "Today the United States and Great Britain are striving to crown the glories of this dying century with something better and greater than the world has seen. It is proposed to abolish homicide as a test of international right by submitting causes of dispute to the calm judgment of wise men; a resolution so simple and so economical that it requires great ingenuity to assail it with plausible reasons. All concede that in theory the plan is admirable, and that in practice on a limited scale it has proved of priceless value, that it is infinitely more likely to produce rational results than the only other alternative—viz.: resort to war. But, say the objectors, what if our national honor should become involved! A momentous question, indeed, and one absolutely impossible of reply until we are told what is this national honor, wherein it lies, and how best it may be asserted. In what one of our many differences with Great Britain has our honor become so involved that the delicacy of its constitution required a prompt and vigorous regime of blood and iron?

"And yet we have had hot and long disputes, where honor might have been called to the front by either nation, and made the pretense for a refusal to arbitrate. A nation's honor, I would venture to say, is never compromised by temperance or injured by forbearance. A nation's honor is not served by rash counsels, nor by violent impulses recklessly indulged in. It is indeed a frail and delicate possession if it cannot live in an atmosphere of peace, it is a dangerous one if it is tarnished by friendly discussion and a disposition to hearken to the voice of justice. National honor may perhaps shine all the brighter when a great nation is slow to admit that her just dignity may be imperiled by the act of others. The honor of a nation is in her keeping, not in that of her neighbors; it cannot be lost save by her own act. To preserve her honor should be her main object and purpose, but she should not readily believe those who tell her that by hard blows alone may its integrity be protected.

"A nation's honor consists in fidelity to her engagements, in carrying out her contracts in spirit as in the letter, in paying her just debts, inrespecting the rights of others, in promoting the welfare of her people, in the encouragement of truth, in teaching obedience to the law, in cultivating honorable peace with the world. How can our national honor be so grievously invaded that there can be no room for remonstrance, no time for discussion, no opportunity allowed the aggressor for amendment? Spain within a few years offended Germany most grevlously, and, it was said, insulted her flag, but Germany nevertheless arbitrated with Spain and allowed the pope to decide the question at issue. Has Germany's honor suffered thereby?

"We seized British ships in the Behring sea and condemned them in our ports—a most grevious insult according to the sensitive and self-constituted custodians of British honor, but Great Britain adopted peaceful counsels, and a wise court heard, examined, and decided the case without any apparent injury to British honor. * * * As with men honor often means pride unembarrassed by scruples, so it may be with a nation. The standard with men differs according to latitude and surroundings, to social institutions and traditions, to civilization, religion, and many other things. Men resort to the shotgun, the revolver, the bowie knife, or the club to heal or defend their honor, and lose it as often as they mend it."

In the evening a banquet was held at the house of the Union League club, at which the speakers were Coudert, Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, A. B. Cummins, James R. Garfield and Colonel Henry L. Turner.

All the schools in the city held anniversary exercises yesterday and the national ensign floated everywhere.

PINGREE SPEAKS AT DETROIT.

Urges the Republicans to Establish "Equality of Taxation."

Detroit, Feb. 23.—Eight hundred members of the Michigan club banqueted merrily last evening in the big Auditorium. It was the twelfth annual gala night of the club. Behind the speakers was a large portrait of Washington, flanked by those of McKinley and Hobart. From the galleries a large audience of both sexes looked down upon the scene, and orchestral music added to the pleasurable excitement of the evening. The one disappointing feature was the absence of Chairman Hanna, who, it had been announced, would be present and respond to the toast "The Victory of 1896." A telegram was received from him in which he said it was impossible from him to leave home before he goes to Washington.

General R. A. Alger was toastmaster. The general amid great cheering feelingly thanked his friends of thirty years' standing for their very evident friendship. General Alger introduced Governor Pingree, who welcomed the club and guests, incidentally eulogizing Washington and the heroes of his time. The governor deprecated the conservatism which generally stands back when fighting is in progress and asserted that the people of today were as earnestly demanding reforms as those of '76, and added: "If the Republican party and Republican leaders are blind to the situation of today as was George III to the demands of the colonists, reforms will be brought about by other men and other parties and we will be simply wreath-hangers when the thing is over."

On his favorite theme of taxation the governor said: "The farmers and the laboring men of Michigan have for years been paying four times their due proportion of the tax, compared with that taken from corporate privileges. This is against the principles of the Republican party, whose old motto is: 'Principles, not men.' We have it in our hands to remedy this wrong. I trust we may not trifle with it. Let us establish equality of taxation. The state is waiting. To be patriotic is to be honest."

Saluted the Day with 21 Guns.

Nice, Feb. 23. — The United States cruiser San Francisco, flagship of the American squadron in European waters, fired salutes of twenty-one guns yesterday morning, at noon and at sunset in honor of Washington's birthday. The cruiser last night was brilliantly illuminated.

M'KINLEY IS IN SECLUSION.

Allowed to See None but His Family and Secretaries.

Canton, O., Feb. 23.—The president-elect did not receive his most intimate friends yesterday, and a score of callers returned to their hotels and homes with the information that "Major McKinley is positively not receiving callers today." Dr. T. H. Phillips, the family physician, has given instructions to that effect and only members of the family and his secretaries gain access to his private office. There need be no apprehension as to the health of Major McKinley, but the physician says he must have absolute freedom from care and disturbance to fully prepare him for the trying scenes of next week.

Carter H. Harrison for Mayor.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—The People's party held its city convention yesterday afternoon and nominated Carter H. Harrison for mayor, and Joseph J. Hubbard for city attorney. The People's party expects that the Democrats will select Harrison for mayor, and at the same time indorse their nominee for city attorney, thus making a fusion of the two parties similar to that in the late national campaign. Harrison is the son of the late Mayor Harrison, who was assassinated in 1893.

Rates to the Great Fight.

St. Louis, Feb. 23.—The Missouri Pacific railroad made somewhat of an innovation yesterday by officially announcing its rate to the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight, and incorporating board and lodging. The figures given were: Fare, $72.50; lodging, $15; board, $17.50; total, $105.

Last Survivor of the Black Hawk War.

Springfield, Ills., Feb. 23.—Philip Clark, the last survivor of the Black Hawk war, was buried Sunday in Clinton. He was 85 years old, and served in the war under Captain Abraham Lincoln. His wife, aged 83 years, is dangerously ill.

Rope Walker Blondin Dead.

London, Feb. 23.—Blondin, the rope walker, is dead.

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Notice of Intention to Incorporate the Sunshine Accident and Sick Benefit Association.

To whom it may concern:—

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, John H. Jackson, A. B. Hill, John H. Herr, S. G. Antisdale, W. H. Hollis, W. G. Newland and R. M. Jones, a majority of whom are residents of the state of Michigan, intend to organize and incorporate the Sunshine Accident and Sick Benefit Association, under the general laws of the state of Michigan, with the principal place of business at Benton Harbor.

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9 17	1 51	Buroda	11 03	5 43
8 56	1 30	Galien	11 25	6 03
8 20	12 53	South Bend	12 06	6 41
7 32	12 05	Plymouth	12 55	7 20
6 45	10 37	Logansport	2 18	8 58
p. m.	6 20	Terre Haute	6 20	p. m
	7 10	Indianapolis	5 45	
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All Linen Crash	5c	Best Feather Ticking	12c
Best Live Goose Feathers	48c	Best Straw Ticking	7c
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Crackers, per pound	5c	Sweet Chocolate	7c
1 gal. Cider Vinegar	12½c	California Peaches, 3 cans	15c
Golden Syrup, per gal.	20c	Golden Pumpkin	9c
1 lb. Best Cocoanut	15c	Salt Pork	5c
1-2 lb. Best Cocoanut	10c	Arm and Hammer Soda	6c
2 lb. package Buckwheat	5c	Magic Yeast and Yeast Foam	3c
Matches, per package, 200 count	10c	25c Tea	19c
5 gallon Oil Can	50c	Sapolio	8c
1 lb. Best 50c Tea	33c	Bulk Starch	4c
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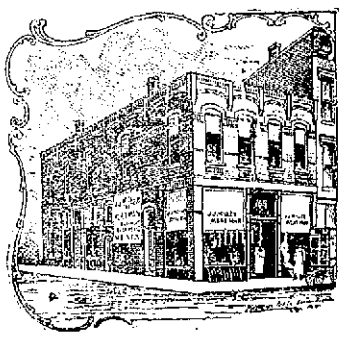

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TARIFF SITUATION.

Dingley's Bill Will Not Be Completed This Session.

TOO MUCH WORK YET TO BE DONE.

Some Difficulty Expected Over the Wool Schedules—Measure Will Be Ready for the Extra Session—Business Men's League Gives the Committee Some Advice and Offers to Help it with Statistics—The Day's Proceedings in Congress.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Chairman Dingley, of the ways and means committee, will not be able to report to the house the tariff bill which will probably bear his name before the beginning of the extra session of congress to be called for the 15th of March. There would have been little to be gained by reporting the bill to the house in this session, even if it was possible, because it would have to be re-introduced in the Fifty-fifth congress, but the Republican members of the ways and means committee will not be able to finish the bill before the close of this congress. They have been working every day for weeks on the bill, but a member said yesterday that they would be obliged to work very hard to finish their task by the beginning of the extra session. The past few days have been spent by the tariff makers principally in shaping the language of those schedules of the bill in which they have agreed upon the rates.

Wool Schedule Will Be Difficult.

Several of the most important features of the bill are yet practically unconsidered. These include the wool, cotton and sugar schedules, and the free list. The first of these promises to give the most trouble, because of the failure of the wool growers and manufacturers to reach any agreement on rates. In order to complete the bill the Republican members of the ways and means committee will stay in Washington after congress adjourns and devote their time to the work. It is expected that as soon as the extra session meets Speaker Reed, who will undoubtedly be re-elected, will appoint the same members to the ways and means committee who are now serving and the bill will be reported to the house.

National Business League Statement.

John W. Ela, attorney of the National Business League, by direction of Ferdinand W. Peck, Moses P. Handy, C. A. Gilbert and Elbridge G. Keith, members of the executive committee of the league, has presented a statement to Chairman Dingley, of the ways and means committee, in which regret is expressed that the organization "was not completed in season for our representatives to be present at the public hearings given by your committee. In view of the well-known fact that a large proportion of the people who take the trouble to go to Washington to attend such hearings are seeking to promote their business interests, and the further fact that public statistics as to tariff effects on domestic manufactures are at present meagre and are not easily procured from the interested parties, we might, perhaps, have rendered assistance to your committee, through the combined experience of our membership."

VIEWS OF THE LEAGUE SET FORTH.

Wants the Tariff Revision To Be Conservative—Assistance Offered.

The statement proceeds as follows: "Members of your committee having very courteously expressed their willingness to receive and consider any statements we may present to the committee, we now take occasion to express to you the desire of this league—which we believe is the true desire of a large majority of the business men of the country—that the present revision of the tariff upon which you are engaged shall be a conservative one. While we understand that it is your intention by this revision to obtain more revenue and to protect American labor, we ask that its benefits and its burdens be spread as nearly equal as possible, and so as to 'foster general, rather than special interests.'

"We belive that the country has now had sufficient experience with tariffs to furnish a basis upon which revisions may be made more scientifically than heretofore, and that the objects desired—whether revenue or protection—may be secured, and at the same time general business prosperity forwarded. We understand that your committee is endeavoring to work along these lines, and we tender you any assistance in that direction which you may desire from us. We will furnish you some statistics from time to time, and as soon as we are able to get them into proper form.

"We also take this opportunity to say that the league being in favor of taking the tariff out of politics favors the establishment of a new department of the government, to be designated the 'department of commerce and industry' (the scope of which we will not discuss here) and of a tariff bureau in that department which—after the present revision—shall investigate and report on all contemplated changes in the tariff before action by congress. And we believe that this bureau should be composed of non-partisan experts of such character and reputation that their report on each schedule or subject investigated by them will be *conclusive as to* the facts and influential in the decision.'

SECTARIAN SCHOOLS SUSTAINED.

Senate Agrees to the Clause in the Indian Bill—House Transactions.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The senate spent its first hour yesterday in listening to Washington's farewell address read by Daniel, and then turned its attention to the Indian appropriation bill. The clause directing temporary contracts with sectarian schools when no government schools were available was agreed to—51 to 8. A provision was added declaring it to be the settled policy of the government hereafter to make no appropriations whatever for the support of sectarian schools. The bill is still under consideration.

A veto from President Cleveland on a private pension bill brought out sharp criticism from Gallinger against the president's course. Morgan said that the passage of all these bills would involve less expense than the amount which went to the syndicate taking the bond issues. An attempt to pass the territorial judicial bill failed although the fate of four men to be executed today depended upon its passage. There was debate on the Loud postal bill and Stewart gave notice that he would not let it pass. Allison warned the senate that it would require hard work to get through the appropriation bills and 11 a. m. was fixed as the time to meet on and after tomorrow.

The house passed the general deficiency appropriation bill and began the consideratio of the last money bill, that providing for the naval establishment. A long debate occurred over the propriety of the appropriation of $1,210,000 for the Southern Pacific railroad under the judgment of the court of claims, but the house—102 to 138—refused to strike it out. The members who favored the appropriation for the payment to members of the last congress of salary withheld from them on account of obscene carried their fight into the house, but they were beaten—96 to 122. Sixteen of the forty-eight pages of the naval bill were completed.

Courtesies to the Incomers.

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Cleveland, Secretary Lamont and Attorney General Harmon will entertain their successors at dinner on March 3. Secretary Olney will also probably entertain Secretary Gage, Secretary Wilson, and perhaps other members of the McKinley cabinet. This will be in marked contrast to the outgoing Harrison administration, whose members hurriedly left the city, barely stopping to speak to their successors.

Calls Butler an "Uncorked Populist."

Washington, Feb. 23.—While the Loud postal bill was up in the senate yesterday Butler (Pop.) said the bill was "infamous," and if the people understood it they would not tolerate it. This bill would destroy book concerns and throw thousands out of employment. Chandler said he would not attempt to talk against an "uncorked Populist."

McKinley to Suspend an Order.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Grosvenor, of Ohio, one of McKinley's intimate friends, says McKinley will probably suspend Cleveland's sweeping civil service order when he takes the presidential chair. This order puts all the offices in the executive branch of the government on the civil service list.

President Reserves Forest Lands.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The president yesterday signed thirteen proclamations setting aside as many new forest reservations, containing in all 21,379,840 acres of land.

DEATH HAS BEEN BIG AGAIN.

Four Persons Burned to Death—The Grim Terror on the Rail.

Hannibal, Mo., Feb. 23.—The residence and store of Marks, on Main street, took fire at 2:30 yesterday morning, and before the flames were controlled $5,000 worth of property was destroyed, and the following persons burned to death: M. Marks, owner of the burned home; William Reid, a boarder; two boys, sons of Marks.

Cincinnati, Feb. 23.—Eleven persons were hurt in a railway wreck on the Chesapeake and Ohio road, opposite Portsmouth, Ohio, yesterday. A. G. Stout, roadmaster, died in half an hour, and M. A. Faulkner, baggagemaster, was so seriously hurt that he may die. The others were severely wounded.

Ebenburg, Pa., Feb. 23.—By the collision of a train with a box car on the Cresson branch of the Pennsylvania road, near this place yesterday, five persons were seriously hurt and a score were slightly injured. The seriously hurt are: W. P. Shiver, fireman, may die; John Foreman, mail agent, Huntington, Pa.; Michael Myers, of Lilly, Pa.; S. C. Child, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Thomas Barnes, Phillipsburg, Pa.

Rigo and Clara Are Flushed.

London, Feb. 23.—James Rigo, the Hungarian gypsy musician with whom the Princess de Chimay eloped, has written to a friend in Antwerp saying that seventeen impresarios have offered him engagements. He has declined all of them. He added that he did not lack funds and that he and the princess were going to the United States.

Mrs. Beecher Has Another Relapse.

Stamford, Conn., Feb. 23.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher had another relapse last evening. There is a general weakness of all the vital organs which presages speedy dissolution. It is thought that the end will come within twenty-four hours.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

Michael Gleason, aged 85, residing at Galena, Ind., was killed under peculiar circumstances. He started to transfer a flock of forty sheep from one lot to another, and was letting down the bars of a fence when a ram dashed at him and butted him to the ground. While lying prostrate the other sheep followed and trampled him to death.

The inauguration of the eight-hour labor day, moved by the Social Democrats, has been rejected by the German reichstag.

While running with desperate effort to avoid arrest at Chicago Nicholas Montgen lost his life under the wheels of a Northwestern passenger train.

Mrs. J. R. Raymond celebrated at Montreal the 100th anniversary of her birth. She has five children living, aged 81, 76, 74, 68 and 63 years.

John Jacob Astor's $5,000,000 hotel, which is in course of erection next to the Waldorf in New York, will be called the Astoria.

Judge Buckingham, of Shelby county, Ind., has been applied to for an injunction to restrain all clergymen and magistrates from marrying the son of one Snodgrass to a girl neighbor.

Permission was given for the British warship Comus to land sailors and marines at San Diego, Cal., and they took part in the Washington's birthday parade there.

New York architects and builders plan for the expenditure of over $125,000,000 during 1897 for new buildings in that city.

From one to two feet of snow has fallen at Plainfield, Wis., drifting badly. Many drifts are six feet deep in the highways and business is suspended.

The president has vetoed the bills to pension Mary A. Veil and Mar. Mary A. Freeman, both remarried widows.

The demonstration of unemployed suggested by "General" Coxey for Washington's birthday did not take place in St. Louis.

The Buffalo, N. Y., Boilermakers' union has ordered a general strike in every Buffalo shop but one. Over 200 men have quit work.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

BAND concert and dance this evening.

THE West Michigan nurseries and Morrill & Morley are sending out thousands of catalogues and price lists *at present*.

DANIEL Sammons of Hartford fell on an icy sidewalk in that village yesterday and broke his thigh bone. Mr. Sammons is well known in this city.

CHORUS practice at the Congregational church at 6:45 tonight. Please be prompt as several wish to attend an entertainment later in the evening.

W. F. SEEL today received $2,000 from the Modern Woodmen for Mrs. Jane Jeffrey, beneficiary of the late William S. Jeffrey. Mrs. Jeffrey is now residing at South Boardman.

IF the present favorable weather continues the steamer City of Louisville will commence making regular trips to Chicago between the first and middle of March.

THE case of Murphey vs Baker is being heard in Justice Hammond's court this afternoon.

CHARLES Babcock and Frank Jones of Babcock & Stephens orchestra assisted Scheur's orchestra at the ball in St. Joseph last night.

JUDGE Coolidge has fined J. Chrest of St. Joseph $10 for obstructing the streets of St. Joseph with a sign. He had previously been convicted of the offense.

THE board of directors of the Alger Guards met in Justice Graves' office this afternoon and elected the following officers: President, C. K. Farmer; vice president, H. B. Volheim; secretary, J. Harry Pound; treasurer, H. U. Rapp.

WILLIAM Ross, Vineyard avenue, is the owner of a vicious dog which tried to take a friendly chunk out of the limb of one of Jack Coates' boys yesterday. Mr. Coates swore out a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Ross who appeared before Judge Hammond this morning and agreed to settle the matter by killing the dog.

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SICK AND CONVALESCING.

Miss Hettie Lewis is confined to her home by illness.

Dr. George Bell's condition is slightly improved today.

W. T. Hopkins, 118 Washington street is improving after a serious illness.

Attorney N. A. Hamilton is confined to his home through illness. He was unable to appear in court today.

Chicken Pie.

The Daughter of Rebekah will serve supper in the vacant store building across from postoffice, Wednesday evening, February 24.- Menu, chicken pie, escalloped potatoes, salads, light biscuits, coffee, jellies, pickles, assorted cake. Supper from 5 to 8 only 15 cents. Special invitation to business men. Supper will be over in time for evening entertainments.

Grand Opening.

I shall be pleased to meet the ladies of Benton Harbor and vicinity at my dressmaking parlors, rooms 9 and 10 Hulburd block, on March 6 1897. I will present each lady with a perfect fitting waist pattern.

I also teach the French system of dress cutting and furnish chart and model to each graduate.

61 E2 Miss S. Nissbrod.

Nate Gifford's hack makes all trains.

Don't forget the band concert and dance to be given by Frazell's band next Tuesday evening. 43t2

Play the Mandolin.

The mandolin is not hard to learn. You can play well by note in 12 lessons. Ed. Chrest will be in Benton Harbor Mondays and Fridays. Leave your card at Frazell's and he will call on you. 428t26.

We have given John Schairer the agency in Benton Harbor for our Barley Malt Whiskey. Distilled from malted barley it is rich and nutritious, and free from all impurity. For the sick and feeble it is a true tonic.
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Take Notice.

A. E. Nichols, the dime deliveryman, has changed his office from Lowe & Rouse's drug store to Harry L. Bird's. Mr. Nichols says please try him at his new office and orders will receive more prompt attention. Phone 45, 3 rings. Orders may also be left at Michael & Beeny's

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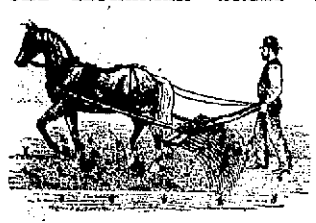

The time for neglecting to order one of our Weeders because you "do not know as it will work" has gone by. It will work, and *your can work it to your* entire satisfaction if you but half try.

The farmer who five years from now does not use a "Zephaniah Breed Weeder" will be the one whose tools are usually wintered out of doors, whose stables are too "airy" for the comfort of his stock in the winter, and who spends more time in talking politics at the store than he does in making improvements on the farm. Mark what we say.

If the bank officials offered to pay you in October double the amount you deposited in April, you would certainly deposit every cent that you could. Now in using one of Weeders you may save several times in the same time. Tell us if you can, why you "cannot afford to buy a weeder."

The demand for this tool in '96 was so great we could not fill all orders. To insure having a weeder place your order early and have one of the greatest labor saving tools of the day. SEND FOR CATALOGUE.

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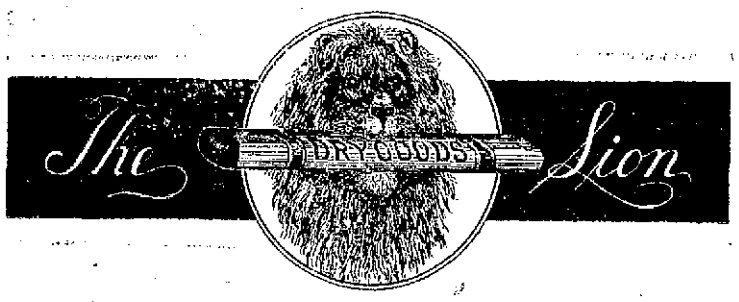

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SOCIETY'S CORNER.

What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.

The W. W. T. Chautauquans enjoyed a very profitable meeting last Saturday with Mrs. Morley on Britian avenue. Circle will meet next Saturday at 2:30 p. m. with Miss Maud Vincent at Hotel Whitcomb, St. Joseph, with the following program: Roll call, Greek alphabet: music, Chautauqua Glee club, "First Two Centuries of Historical Development of Greece." Mrs. B. H. Van Camp: reading, "Richter's Dream:" Mrs. C. N. Sears: "The Moon and Eclipses," Miss Cora Hull; "The Constellation Auridge," Miss Maud Vincent: "The Last Man," Miss Frances Hull: a talk by class, "The Purification of Water," led by Mrs. C. R. Hendrix: question table, Mrs. Drake.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at Mrs. A. Knowles, 129 Washington street, Wednesday at 3 p. m. Full attendance is desired as there is important business.

Mrs. Storrer, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Vance, entertained about fifteen of her lady friends from 2 to 5 at progressive pedro this afternoon. An exquisitely beautiful bouquet was given to the lady winning the most points. At 4 o'clock dainty refreshments were beautifully served.

Miss Rose Hayett of Muskegon is the guest of relatives here.

Miss Lillian Dalrymple who has been in Fort Wayne for the past two weeks is expected home this week.

Charles Schriver left this morning for Grand Rapids on business connected with the West Michigan Nurseries.

Miss Mae Fisher returned home last evening from Marion Ind., where she spent several weeks with relatives and friends.

The Home Circle met at the hospitable home of Mrs. W. L. Hogue last Friday afternoon with a full attendance. The members responded to roll call with quotations from Emerson. "The Little Fisher Maiden" was a piano solo by Mrs. Dr. Watson. Mrs. Clarence Warner gave a character sketch of "Pythagoras." This was followed by Mrs. F. J. Soule with a select reading, entitled "Old Aunt Kate." Mrs. Dr. Watson read a paper on the "Persian War" which was discussed by the entire circle. An interesting feature of the program was the question table, *prepared and conducted by Mrs. W. L.* Hogue. After the program marsh mallows were roasted over tiny wax candles which brought up visions of summer and "camping out." The circle will meet next Friday at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. Will Poundstone on Jefferson street with the following program: Quotations, Whittier: reading, Mrs. Smith: "The Seven Wise Men of Greece," Mrs. Bowman: "The Parthenon," Mrs. Rathbun: discussion of the present difficulties with Crete: question table, Mrs. Hogue.

Frazell's entire military band of 21 pieces will give their concert and dance in Conkey's hall this evening and it is expected that a large crowd will be in attendance. During the concert the band will render "My Old Kentucky Home" with variations. This concert piece was rendered by Wurzburg's band of Grand Rapids, last fall and is one of the finest selections ever played in the city.

Prof. Lacy, who has had a large class of pupils in dancing this winter will give a German in Conkey's hall tomorrow night. *The admission has been* placed at 50 cents a couple and for a party of this description the price is very low and the hall should be well filled. It is safe to say that people who have ever attended a German will be there and those who have never enjoyed that pleasure should attend if but for mere curiosity.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Sherman returned yesterday afternoon from a month's visit with relatives and friends in St. Johns.

Mrs. George Bakeman and Mrs. C. A. White will entertain the members of the Home Forum at the latter's home on Courtland street tonight. Refreshments will be served and a delightful time is anticipated.

President Patterson of the St. Joseph Valley railroad left for Chicago at 2:25 this morning.

Rev. M. S. Woodruff left for Muskegon this morning to attend the meeting of the clergy of the diocese of western Michigan.

Probate Court.

The hearing in the Hickory Creek drain inquiry has been adjourned to Wednesday, March 3, owing to the attorneys interested being engaged in the circuit court.

Relief in Six Hours

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its excellent promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by G. M. Bell & Co., 103 Main street, Druggist, Benton Harbor, Mich.

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"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It *removes at once* the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits.

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STRUGGLE BETWEEN A MAN IN PORT COLBORNE AND A SERPENT.

Wrapped in the Meshes of Kidney Disease, Harvey Neff Was Nigh Unto Death Until He Took Dodd's Kidney Pills.

PORT COLBORNE, Ont., Dec.—A terrible battle took place at Humberstone, a few miles distant from this port, between Harvey H. Neff, and a fatal form of kidney disease. The disease was routed finally, but not until after doctors had given up Neff to die, and Neff was almost hopeless himself.

When a man is stricken by kidney disease, though he be strong and rugged it takes a lion's heart to fight the disease off. Neff was attacked when just recovering from a long seige of typhoid fever, and was weak and exhausted from his struggle for life.

It is the general belief of all who know personally of the case, that Neff would have died had it not been for DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS, which gave him the victory.

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ABOUT THE COUNTY.

Baroda.

The funeral of Alexander Brown, an old settler was held at the church in this village on Saturday last. There was a large attendance. His loss is one that the community will deeply feel, as he was an estimable citizen. He was born in England in 1824. Had been an invalid for several months.

The many friends of John Burke will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from his recent serious illness.

Supervisor O. P. Miller and Samuel Marrs attended the Republican Convention at St. Joseph last week.

Chas. Peters the liveryman is quite sick with the grip.

The ladies' Aid Society of Baroda spent a very pleasant day on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. John Shafer. Quilting, and carpet rags kept all pretty busy. A delightful dinner was prepared and most heartily enjoyed by all present. There were about forty in attendance.

On the 3 of March the ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Knight.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Parish have moved to Stevensville. We shall miss them very much. A farewell surprise was held at their home last Friday evening and every one spent a pleasant evening.

Miss Hogue has returned after a long vacation. We are all glad to welcome her once more.

Mrs. Hunt has almost recovered. We are glad to see her around again.

Miss Martha J. House returned home a few days ago after a short absence from the village on business.

Exercises consisting of recitations and essays from Longfellow and Lowell by the pupils were held at the school room Friday afternoon.

The little daughter of Samuel Marrs is sick with something like the grip.

J. Race is now canvassing for the "Life of Bryan" instead of W. O. Sleight, the former agent.

Band concert next Tuesday evening. After the concert an informal hop will be given.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

Evening News and K. P. cigars.

Hall & Nichols have their new long distance telephone in operation

The City Steam laundry does more *work than all other laundries in Berrien* county combined. It is fine work that has built up the trade.

WANTED—IN SMALL FAMILY, A GENeral servant—German or Swede preferred. No washing. Mrs. Strickland, next door to Mayor Bell. 46t6

MORTGAGE SALE.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage dated the 26th of October, 1891, executed by Catherine N. Oden, of the City of Benton Harbor, County of Berrien, and State of Michigan, to H. Adeline Danforth of the City of Albany and State of New York, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county of Berrien and State of Michigan in liber 61 of mortgages on page 381 on the 25th day of October, A. D. 1891, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of $2,560.75, and an attorney fee provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover the said sum or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided. Notice is hereby given that the said mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of the premises in said mortgage described at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the city of St. Joseph, Berrien county, Michigan, on Wednesday, the 19th day of May, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, which premises are described in said mortgage as follows: The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 32, township four (4) south of range eighteen (18) west (excepting the west fifteen (15) acres.) being twenty-five (25) acres more or less. Also the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 32, town four (4) south of range eighteen (18) west (except west ten (10) acres.) being thirty (30) acres more or less, both parcels being in the township of Benton, County of Berrien and State of Michigan.

Dated February 22, 1897.

H. ADELINE DANFORTH,
Mortgagee.

VALENTINE & ELLSWORTH,
Attorneys for Mortgagee.

REMOVAL NOTICE.

Back Again to Our Old Love!

On March 1 we will occupy our old store

105 West Main street, Jones & Sonner block. Let all of our old friends take notice and govern themselves accordingly. Up to that time you can find us at 118 Pipestone street, Bowman block, where we are helping the needy by furnishing them goods so cheap that they need but a little money to satisfy their wants.

A Good Summer Silk at 19c.
Ladies' Wool Equestrian Tights, 75c.
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